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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2011 ON PAGE 151.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE MAY 10, 2011 MEETING OF THE LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. WE WILL FIRST
8 BE LED IN PRAYER BY PASTOR JIMMY NIH OF THE WALNUT METHODIST
9 CHURCH IN WALNUT. AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE BY
10 BRENT ROFELI, FORMER STAFF SERGEANT FOR THE UNITED STATES ARMY
11 FROM SOUTH PASADENA. IF THE AUDIENCE WOULD PLEASE RISE? IT
12 SAYS ARMY ON THIS ONE. AIR FORCE? OKAY. THERE'S A TYPO. WHO'S
13 RESPONSIBLE? OKAY. PASTOR?

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15 **REV. JIMMY NIH:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO, BEFORE WE PRAY, I'D
16 JUST LIKE TO THANK GLORIA MOLINA FOR INVITING ME THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. EARLIER LAST YEAR, SARAH
18 TOROWSKY, SHE BROKE HER ANKLE AND SHE WAS GOING TO FIRST BASE
19 IN A SOFTBALL GAME. AND HER OPPOSITE TEAM, MALLORY, THEY CARRY
20 HER AROUND THE BASES SO SHE CAN SCORE. IT BECAME A ONE TO
21 NOTHING GAME. AND IT SHOWED UP ON E.S.P.N. AND P.T.I. THE NEXT
22 DAY. LET US PRAY SO THAT WE CAN ALSO BE COMPASSIONATE PEOPLE
23 FOR OUR NATION AND FOR OUR COUNTY. DEAR HEAVENLY FATHER, WE
24 ARE SO HONORED AND GRATEFUL TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. WE KNOW
25 THAT IN THE WORLD THAT WE LIVE IN, THERE'S A LOT OF CONFUSION



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1 AND UNCERTAINTY. BUT WE LIFT OUR VOICES, OUR HEARTS BEFORE
2 YOU. WE ASK YOU TO BLESS, TO GUIDE, AND TO GIVE US WISDOM,
3 STRENGTH AND COURAGE. WE ALSO SPECIALLY PRAY FOR THE PROBATION
4 DEPARTMENT AS WE GO THROUGH SOME CHALLENGES, AS YOU KNOW. SO
5 WE COMMIT ALL OF US INTO YOUR HAND, EACH ONE OF US. WE AGAIN
6 ASK YOU, BRING YOUR POWER TO SUSTAIN US, TO GRANT US PEACE,
7 JOY, HOPE, FAITH. AND CONTINUE TO BLESS OUR GREAT NATION, OUR
8 COUNTY AND EACH ONE OF US AS LONG AS WE SHALL LIVE. AMEN.

9

10 **BRENT ROFELI:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
11 YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
12 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? AIR FORCE. SEE WHAT
15 THEY HAD HERE?

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO
18 PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO REVEREND JIMMY NIH.
19 HE IS WITH THE WALNUT METHODIST CHURCH. THE REVEREND WAS BORN
20 IN HONG KONG AND IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES AT THE AGE OF
21 14. AFTER GRADUATING FROM MONTEBELLO HIGH SCHOOL, HE STUDIED
22 AT U.C.L.A. AND THEN OBTAINED AN ACCOUNTING DEGREE FROM CAL
23 STATE LOS ANGELES. HE SUBSEQUENTLY EARNED HIS MASTERS OF
24 DIVINITY DEGREE FROM FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN PASADENA
25 AND IS CURRENTLY WORKING TOWARDS A DOCTOR OF MINISTRY DEGREE.



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1 REVEREND NIH'S UPLIFTING SERMON, HIS TERRIFIC SENSE OF HUMOR
2 AND ENDLESS COMPASSION BRING GREAT SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT TO THE
3 CONGREGATION AS WELL AS TO THE LARGER COMMUNITY. HE IS DEVOTED
4 TO HIS MINISTRY, AND WE WANT TO THANK HIM FOR TAKING THE TIME
5 TO COME OUT AND JOIN US. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR LEADING US IN
6 OUR INVOCATION, SIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. BRENT ROFELI WAS IN THE UNITED
9 STATES AIR FORCE AND WAS STATIONED IN QATAR AND THE SAUDI
10 ARABIA IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE WAS A STAFF SERGEANT BETWEEN
11 1995 AND 2004, BORN AND RAISED IN SOUTH PASADENA AND A
12 GRADUATE OF HAWAII PACIFIC UNIVERSITY. SO WE WANT TO THANK YOU
13 FOR COMING DOWN AND LEADING US IN THE PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
17 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
18 THROUGH 5-D. ON ITEM NO. 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
19 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2-D, THERE'S A
20 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
21 NO. 4-D, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
22 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 17, 2011. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE
23 BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

2 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
5 HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1H THROUGH 4-H. ON ITEM NO. 1-H,
6 THERE'S A REQUEST OF THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
7 ITEM. ITEM NO. 2-H, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM THE A MEMBER OF THE
8 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 3-H, SUPERVISOR
9 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
10 MAY 17, 2011. AND ITEM NO. 4-H IS BEFORE YOU.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
13 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
16 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1--P.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTIONED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1
22 THROUGH 13. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
23 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR
24 RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. AND ON THIS ITEM,
25 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE



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1 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 3, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
2 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 24, 2011. ON ITEM NO. 4, THERE'S
3 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
4 ITEM NO. 5, SUPERVISOR KNABE VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM AND
5 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE HELD. THE
6 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
9 THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 14
12 THROUGH 78. ON ITEM NO. 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
13 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. 16. ON ITEM NO. 20, SUPERVISOR
14 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 17,
15 2011. AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
16 TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 21, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 26, THERE'S
18 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
19 ITEM NO. 28, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE
20 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
21 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 24, 2011. ON ITEM NO. 32, AS
22 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL
23 HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY
24 17, 2011. ON ITEM NO. 33, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
25 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 34, THERE'S A REQUEST



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1 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. 34. 33 AND 34.
2 ON ITEM NO. 41, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
3 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 43, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
4 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 74, COUNTY
5 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY
6 24, 2011. ON ITEM NO. 75, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT
7 THE SETTLEMENT BE APPROVED TODAY BUT THE CORRECTIVE ACTION
8 PLAN BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 24, 2011. AND ON ITEM NO.
9 76, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
10 ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE
11 BEFORE YOU.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
14 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 39, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION,
17 ITEM NO. 79 AND 80. ON ITEM NO. 79, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE
18 IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION
19 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE, 6 - SALARIES, ADDING, DELETING
20 AND/OR CHANGING CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS OF
21 ORDINANCE POSITIONS. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
22 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ITEM NO. 80, THIS IS AN
23 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 15,
24 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, TO EXTENT THE SUNSET REVIEW DATE FOR THE
25 HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION TO OCTOBER 31, 2013. ON THIS ITEM



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1 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE
2 ITEM. DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 81 THROUGH 84. ON ITEM NO. 81,
3 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
4 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 17, 2011.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
7 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 82, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
10 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 24,
11 2011.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTIONED BY BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 83, AS INDICATED ON THE
17 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
18 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 28, 2011.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED,
21 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM NO. 84, WE WILL HOLD THIS FOR A
24 PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 42, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
25 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE



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1 MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO.
2 85-A, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
3 THIS ITEM. ON 85-B, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT
4 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 24, 2011. BUT ON THIS
5 ITEM, THERE'S ALSO REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
6 IT. ON PAGE 43, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR
7 FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS BY THE BOARD. ON ITEM A-4 THIS
8 ITEM IS BEFORE YOU. A-4. IT WAS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
9 AGENDA. IT'S A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
10 SERVICES.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED
13 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 45, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON
16 ITEM NO. CS-1, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
18 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO MAY 31, 2011.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST THIS ONE?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
25 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. CS-2, AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
4 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 24, 2011.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
7 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM NO. CS-3, COUNTY COUNSEL
10 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER DEPARTMENT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
13 YAROSLAVSKY. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
16 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
17 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BEFORE THAT, LET ME BRING UP THE NEW
20 CONSUL GENERAL. TODAY IT'S A PLEASURE TO WELCOME TO THE UNITED
21 STATES THE HONORABLE DAVID FIGUEROA ORTEGA, WHO IS THE NEW
22 CONSUL GENERAL OF MEXICO. HE HAS HAD A LONG RELATIONSHIP WITH
23 THE UNITED STATES. HE'S THE SON OF A MEXICAN LABORER, ROSARIO,
24 WHO PICKED STRAWBERRIES IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. AS A YOUNG
25 CHILD, HE WAS BROUGHT UP IN MEXICO AND EARNED HIS DEGREE IN



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1 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND AN M.B.A. IN HUMAN RESOURCES AT
2 MEXICAN UNIVERSITIES. HE BECAME INVOLVED WITH PUBLIC AFFAIRS,
3 ESPECIALLY AS THEY CONCERNED HUMAN RIGHTS, IMMIGRATION AND
4 PUBLIC FINANCE. HE WENT INTO POLITICS AND WAS ELECTED MAYOR EL
5 PUERTO, A TOWN NEAR THE ARIZONA BORDER. IF YOU READ THE L.A.
6 TIMES LAST WEEK, YOU KNOW HE HAS BEEN A COURAGEOUS FIGHTER
7 AGAINST THE DRUG CARTELS. IT STARTED WHEN HE WAS MAYOR HE
8 LAUNCHED A VERY SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE DRUG DEALERS
9 AT THE REQUEST OF THE TOWN RESIDENTS. IN THAT PROCESS, HIS
10 FATHER WAS SHOT FOUR TIMES. LATER, WHEN MR. ORTEGA WAS ELECTED
11 CONGRESSMAN HE WAS SHOT IN THE LEG DURING AN ASSASSINATION
12 ATTEMPT WHILE DRIVING FROM THE AIRPORT NEAR MEXICO CITY,
13 ANOTHER BULLET DID GRAZED HIS HEAD. ANOTHER TIME WHEN HE WAS
14 LEAVING HIS MEXICO CITY HOTEL, A MAN WALKED UP TO HIM, PULLED
15 A GUN AND BEGAN FIRING AT HIM. HE DUCKED, THE MAN'S GUN JAMMED
16 AND HE'S WITH US TODAY. HIS BODYGUARD, THOUGH WAS SHOT, WHO
17 SHOT THE GUNMAN BEFORE HE COULD FIRE AGAIN. HE CARRIED ON WITH
18 HIS POLITICAL CAREER AND WENT ON TO COORDINATE PRESIDENT
19 FELIPE CALDERON'S ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN HIS HOME STATE OF
20 SONORA. IN AUGUST OF 2008, HE WAS APPOINTED CONSUL GENERAL IN
21 SAN JOSE, WHERE I UNDERSTAND HE HAD A MORE PEACEFUL
22 EXPERIENCE. WE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE HERE AS WELL. WE EXPECT
23 THAT TO CONTINUE AS HE TAKES UP HIS POST AS CONSUL GENERAL. SO
24 ON BEHALF OF THE 10 MILLION CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY, WE WELCOME



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1 YOU AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU. LET ME GIVE YOU
2 THIS. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **HON. DAVID FIGUEROA ORTEGA:** THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR MICHAEL
5 ANTONOVICH, MAYOR OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE HONORABLE
6 SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA, THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR MARK
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, THE
8 HONORABLE SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOOD
9 MORNING. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
10 WELCOME. I'M HONORED TO BE HERE TODAY. I FEEL VERY PROUD TO
11 SERVE MEXICO IN ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE AND POPULACE COUNTIES
12 IN THE UNITED STATES, WITH ALMOST 10 MILLION IN -- IN 88
13 INCORPORATED CITIES AND MANY UNINCORPORATED AREAS. I AM
14 IMPRESSED BY THE BOARD'S WORK AND THAT IT SERVES THE PEOPLE OF
15 LOS ANGELES IN SO MANY WAYS. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
16 EACH SUPERVISORS AND LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE BOARD'S
17 STRUCTURES AND OPERATIONS. AS MOST OF YOU ALREADY KNOW, THE
18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS A VERY LARGE MEXICAN COMMUNITY, TO
19 WHICH I AM COMMITTED TO WORK FOR AS CONSUL GENERAL. ONE OF MY
20 MAIN GOALS IS STRESSING THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL
21 TIES BETWEEN MEXICO AND THE COUNTY AND TO BUILD BRIDGES OF
22 UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES. OUR
23 COUNTRIES SHARE A 2,000-MILE BORDER THAT IS THE MOST
24 FREQUENTLY CROSSED INTERNATIONAL BORDER IN THE WORLD. THIS
25 BORDER HELPS MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR OUR TWO COUNTRIES TO BE EACH



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1 OTHER'S MOST IMPORTANT TRADING PARTNERS. MEXICO IS THE UNITED
2 STATES' SECOND LARGEST EXPORT MARKET AND THIRD LARGEST TRADING
3 PARTNER. TRADE BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES IN 2010 REACHED ALMOST
4 \$400 BILLION, UP FROM \$305 BILLION IN 2009. THAT TRANSLATES
5 ROUGHLY INTO \$1 BILLION IN GOODS AND SERVICES EACH DAY. ONE
6 MILLION PEOPLE CROSS THE BORDER LEGALLY EVERY SINGLE DAY. THAT
7 IS AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF HUMAN ACTIVITY IN COMMERCE, TRADE AND
8 SERVICES. LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING ABOUT MEXICO YOU DON'T
9 HEAR EVERY DAY. MEXICO IS WORKING VERY HARD TO MAKE ITS
10 ECONOMY STRONGER AND MORE COMPETITIVE SO AS CREATING BETTER
11 OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL MEXICANS. WHILE MUCH OF WORLD ECONOMIES
12 WERE STILL IN RECOVERY LAST YEAR, MEXICO GREW BY VERY
13 RESPECTABLE 5.5 PERCENT AND CREATED MORE THAN 850,000 NEW
14 JOBS. SOME OF THE ECONOMIC GROWTH IS DUE IN PART TO TWO
15 IMPORTANT QUALITIES: SAFETY AND RELIABILITY. MEXICO WAS ONE OF
16 THE MOST ATTRACTIVE DESTINATIONS IN THE WORLD IN 2010 FOR
17 FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT, RECEIVING \$17.7 BILLION. SAFETY IS
18 ALSO ONE OF THE REASONS MORE THAN 22 MILLION FOREIGNERS VISIT
19 MY COUNTRY LAST YEAR TO EXPLORE ITS BEACHES AND CULTURAL
20 WONDERS AND WHY MORE AMERICANS ARE CHOOSING TO JOIN MORE THAN
21 ONE MILLION WHO ALREADY LIVE AND ENJOY THEIR RETIREMENTS IN
22 MEXICO. I HOPE MY BRIEF SNAPSHOT SHOWS THAT YOU HAVE A
23 NEIGHBOR AND PARTNER TO THE SOUTH WHO IS SERIOUSLY ENGAGED IN
24 THE BUSINESS OF IMPROVING ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED
25 STATES AND SERIOUSLY COMMITTED TO ITS CITIZEN ECONOMIC



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1 PROSPERITY AND SECURITY. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR WARM
2 WELCOME. MUCHISIMAS GRACIAS AND BUENOS DIAS. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS? OKAY WE
9 ARE GOING TO MOVE ON AND RECOGNIZE OUR 2011 NURSES OF THE YEAR
10 RECIPIENTS. THIS WILL BE A JOINT PRESENTATION BY EACH OF OUR
11 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. AND DR. MITCHELL KATZ, OUR DIRECTOR
12 OF HEALTH SERVICES, AND VIVIAN BRANCHICK, CHIEF NURSING
13 OFFICER. AS WE ALL KNOW THE IMPORTANCE AND VALUE OF NURSING,
14 THE NURSING PROFESSION, THEY CONTINUOUSLY DEMONSTRATE THEIR
15 PROFESSIONALISM BY SERVING TO UPGRADE STANDARDS OF CARE AND
16 IMPROVE SERVICES. NURSES HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN THE COUNTY
17 HEALTHCARE SYSTEM SINCE THE LATE 1880S AND THE COUNTY
18 RECOGNIZES THIS PROFESSION, WHICH IS RICH IN KNOWLEDGE, SKILL,
19 AND HUMAN UNDERSTANDING. TODAY WE RECOGNIZE FOR THE VALUABLE
20 WORK THAT THEY HAVE EACH DONE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE HEALTH
21 AND WELL-BEING OF THE CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY. FIRST WE HAVE
22 JANELLE CHAVEZ WHO BEGAN WORK AT HIGH DESERT HOSPITAL'S HEALTH
23 SYSTEM AS A C.N.A. IN JUNE OF 1993, WHICH WAS THEN AN
24 INPATIENT FACILITY. HER DESIRE TO IMPROVE HER NURSING SKILLS
25 AND RETURN TO SCHOOL TO ULTIMATELY RECEIVE HER R.N. DEGREE.



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1 SHE HAS WORKED IN VARIOUS SKILLS AREAS AT THE HIGH DESERT
2 INCLUDING MED-SURG, PEDIATRICS AND SKILLED NURSING. CURRENTLY
3 SHE WORKS IN THE ONCOLOGY-CHEMOTHERAPY UNIT WHERE SHE'S KNOWN
4 FOR HER COMPASSION AND HER ABILITY TO ASSIST PATIENTS AS THEY
5 COPE WITH LIFE-THREATENING SITUATIONS. SHE PRIDES HERSELF IN
6 PROVIDING EXCELLENT PATIENT CARE AND BEING A VERY VALUABLE
7 MEMBER OF THE HIGH DESERT HEALTH SYSTEM TEAM. [APPLAUSE.]
8 JOCELYN CRUZ WAS BORN IN L.A. UNION PHILIPPINES AND IN 1980
9 IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES. AFTER SHARPENING HER NURSING
10 SKILLS AT ACUTE HOSPITAL, SHE JOINED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MEDICAL SERVICES BUREAU IN 1987. SHE WAS
12 PROMOTED TO SENIOR STAFF NURSE IN '93 AND WAS A ROLE MODEL TO
13 HER FELLOW COLLEAGUES AND TO HER SUPERIORS. IN 1995, SHE WAS
14 PROMOTED TO THE SUPERVISING STAFF NURSE 1 SHERIFF AND ACCEPTED
15 MANY CHALLENGES FROM VERY DIFFERENT UNITS IN THE BUREAU.
16 CONGRATULATIONS. DO YOU WANT TO BE A DEPUTY? [APPLAUSE.]
17 CONGRATULATIONS. KEIKO ISAWA MOVED TO THE UNITED STATES FROM
18 OSAKA, JAPAN WHEN SHE WAS 14. WHILE ATTENDING COLLEGE, KEIKO
19 SHE BEGAN WORKING AS A STUDENT NURSE AT OLIVE VIEW AND KNEW
20 IMMEDIATELY THAT SHE WANTED A CAREER AT A PUBLIC HEALTH,
21 PUBLIC HOSPITAL. UNFORTUNATELY AFTER GRADUATION, THERE WERE NO
22 POSITIONS AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME IN OLIVE VIEW, SO SHE BEGAN
23 HER CAREER AS A NURSE AND A NEW GRAD AT THE I.C.U. AT A
24 PRIVATE HOSPITAL. IN 2009, A POSITION DID BECOME AVAILABLE AT
25 OLIVE VIEW IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE. AND KEIKO



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1 BEGAN HER CAREER IN THE FIELD SHE ALREADY DECIDED WOULD BE THE
2 MOST CHALLENGING AND FULFILLING. [APPLAUSE.] GEORGIANA YAO
3 BEGAN HER CAREER, WHICH WAS MORE THAN 45 YEARS AGO, AS A
4 DIPLOMATIC NURSE IN 1966 ON A MEDICAL SURGICAL UNIT AT THE
5 SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL IN HONG KONG. GEORGIANA BEGAN COUNTY
6 SERVICE 22 YEARS AGO AS A STAFF NURSE AT THE L.A.C.+U.S.C.
7 MEDICAL CENTER. HER PASSION IN ASSISTING THE RESIDENTS OF THE
8 COUNTY TO TAKE CHARGE OF THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. SHE'S AN
9 EXEMPLARY ROLE MODEL AND MENTOR FOR THE NEW STAFF AND STUDENTS
10 ALIKE. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S ALWAYS AN HONOR AT THIS TIME TO PRESENT A
13 TRIBUTE TO THE NURSES ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. BUT IN PARTICULAR,
14 THOSE THAT ARE TREMENDOUSLY OUTSTANDING. AND ANY OF US WHO
15 HAVE HAD UNFORTUNATELY FROM TIME TO TIME TO HAVE TO GO TO THE
16 HOSPITAL, WE ALWAYS TREASURE THE CARE THAT WE RECEIVE FROM OUR
17 NURSES. AND SO WE HAVE SOME OUTSTANDING ONES THAT REPRESENT
18 THE FIRST DISTRICT AND IT'S MY HONOR TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO
19 THEM. FIRST OF ALL IS ANNABEL GONZALEZ. FOR 22 YEARS, ANNABEL
20 GONZALEZ HAS SERVED IN THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
21 SERVICES. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER AS A MEDICAL SURGICAL UNIT,
22 L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, AND ALSO WORKED IN THE
23 CARDIOLOGY UNIT AND THE POST-ANESTHESIA RECOVERY ROOM, AS
24 WELL. ANNABEL SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED AS A NURSE EVALUATOR FOR THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND WAS A UTILIZATION REVIEW NURSE



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1 FOR THE COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN OFFICE OF MANAGED CARE AND WE
2 KNOW IT AS C.H.P. SHE'S CURRENTLY THE LEAD AUDITOR FOR THE
3 C.H.P. AUDIT TEAM AND DILIGENTLY ENSURES THAT MEDICAL
4 PROVIDERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES
5 COMPLY WITH ALL THE FEDERAL, STATE AS WELL AS LOCAL
6 REGULATIONS. ANNABEL'S COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE, INTEGRITY AND
7 EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF MANAGED CARE HAS RESULTED IN AN
8 IMPROVED OVERSIGHT OF SERVICES FOR ALL OF OUR C.H.P. MEMBERS.
9 WHAT AN HONOR IT IS TO PAY TRIBUTE TO ANNABEL FOR OUTSTANDING
10 SERVICES. CONGRATULATIONS, ANNABEL. [APPLAUSE.]
11 CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT WE HAVE KAREN DEGALADO, AND SHE'S BEEN
12 WITH US SINCE 2008. KAREN HAS SERVED AS A REGISTERED NURSE IN
13 THE L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER OPERATING ROOM UNIT. SHE
14 IS A VIGOROUS PATIENT ADVOCATE AND HAS EARNED THE ADMIRATION
15 AND THE PRAISE OF ALL OF HER SUPERVISORS AS WELL AS HER
16 COWORKERS. ONE OF KAREN'S COWORKERS SAYS IT BEST. "SHE IS ONE
17 OF THE BEST IN PROVIDING PATIENT CARE. SHE IS A TEAM PLAYER
18 AND SHE CREATES AN ATMOSPHERE OF MUTUAL TRUST, ACCEPTANCE, AND
19 RESPECT." WHAT AN HONOR IT IS TO PRESENT THIS COMMENDATION TO
20 YOU, KAREN. CONGRATULATIONS. WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE.] HUI SITO.
21 IN 2001, HUI BEGAN HER COUNTY CAREER WITH EL MONTE
22 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER'S PEDIATRIC CLINK. SHE HAS EVOLVED
23 INTO ONE OF THE CENTER'S MOST EXCEPTIONAL TEAM MEMBERS. SHE IS
24 A TIRELESS PROFESSIONAL AND NEVER FAILS TO LEND A HAND WHEN
25 NEEDED. BEYOND HER EXCELLENT NURSING SKILLS, HUI IS KNOWN FOR



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1 HER PATIENCE AS WELL AS HER KINDNESS. THESE TRAITS HAVE EARNED
2 HER THE RESPECT OF HER COLLEAGUES AND IS GENERALLY WORTHY OF
3 OUR BOARD RECOMMENDATION. WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE NURSE SITO
4 FOR ALL OF THE TREMENDOUS WORK. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]
5 THIS NEXT GENTLEMAN IS MARK FERGUSON. AND MARK BEGAN HIS
6 CAREER IN THE COUNTY IN 1991 WITH L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., THE
7 MEDICAL CENTER EMERGENCY ROOM. HE EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE
8 IN NURSING IN 2010 AND HE CURRENTLY SERVES AT THE E.M.S.
9 AGENCY PARAMEDIC TRAINING INSTITUTE. MARK COORDINATES AND
10 FACILITATES ESSENTIAL YEARLY EDUCATION TRAINING FOR OVER 88
11 EDUCATORS WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS VITAL INFORMATION IS
12 THEN DISSEMINATED TO OVER 4,000 PARAMEDICS AS WELL AS MOBILE
13 INTENSIVE CARE NURSES. MARK'S EXPERTISE IS TRULY INVALUABLE.
14 SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE ARE SO PROUD TO RECOGNIZE MARK
15 AND HIS TREMENDOUS ACHIEVEMENTS. AS WELL AS HIS CAREER IN L.A.
16 COUNTY U.S.C. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR. [APPLAUSE.] I WANTED TO
17 JOIN IN CONGRATULATING ALL OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY NURSES.
18 THEY ARE TERRIFIC AS WELL AS ALL THE SUPERVISORS AND EVERYONE
19 WHO'S INVOLVED. TERRIFIC. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU.
20 [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED TO
23 BRING FORTH THE HONOREES FOR THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL
24 DISTRICT. THESE NURSES HAVE DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN THE
25 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THEY ARE AURORA MARTINEZ, ADRIANA



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1 ARIAS, TRACY GRIFFIN, AND BELINDA JENKINS. WE OUGHT TO GIVE
2 THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.] MS. MARTINEZ
3 STARTED HER NURSING CAREER AS A STUDENT NURSE WORKER AND
4 BECAME A REGISTERED NURSE IN 1984. SHE TRANSFERRED TO THE
5 EMERGENCY ROOM LEVEL 1 TRAUMA CENTER IN 1988 AND HAS PROVIDED
6 QUALITY AND COMPASSIONATE CARE TO CRITICALLY INJURED PATIENTS
7 AT THE HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE PAST 23 YEARS.
8 SHE IS TRULY DISTINGUISHED BY HER PROFESSIONALISM AND HER
9 ADVOCACY FOR BOTH PATIENTS AND STAFF. MS. MARTINEZ, HER
10 CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS AND PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT MAKE HER A
11 VERY, VERY DESIRABLE WORKING PARTNER. SHE IS A WONDERFUL ROLE
12 MODEL AND EXPERT NURSE WHO PASSIONATELY TEACHES AND MENTORS
13 MEMBERS OF THE HEALTHCARE TEAM. SHE TRULY CARES ABOUT HER
14 PATIENTS, HER COLLEAGUES AND HER ENVIRONMENT. WE WISH TO
15 EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS TO AURORA MARTINEZ. GIVE
16 HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.] ADRIANA
17 ARIAS, A REGISTERED NURSE AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
18 MULTISERVICE AMBULATORY CARE CENTER, AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS
19 M.L.K.-M.A.C.C. SHE JOINED THE EMERGENCY ROOM AT M.L.K.
20 HOSPITAL FIVE YEARS AGO AND CURRENTLY WORKS IN URGENT CARE AT
21 THE M.A.C.C. SHE ATTRIBUTES MUCH OF HER SUCCESS TO THE
22 TALENTED, KIND, KNOWLEDGEABLE AND COMMITTED NURSES AND
23 PHYSICIANS WITH WHOM SHE WORKS. SHE CONSIDERS WORKING AT
24 M.L.K. HOSPITAL HER CALLING AND FINDS GREAT JOY IN BEING ABLE
25 TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY. SHE ENJOYS BEING WITH HER FAMILY AND



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1 SPENDING QUALITY TIME WITH THEM TO BALANCE HER NURSING CAREER
2 AND ACHIEVE MAXIMUM SATISFACTION IN LIFE. AND SO FOR HER
3 CONTRIBUTIONS THAT CONTINUE AND THE WAY IN WHICH SHE
4 DISTINGUISHES HERSELF IN PROVIDING COMPASSIONATE CARE, WE TAKE
5 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE ADRIANA ARIAS. [APPLAUSE.]
6 TRACY GRIFFIN, A GRADUATE OF LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE.
7 SHE JOINED THE COUNTY IN THE YEAR 2002 AS A STAFF NURSE AT
8 M.L.K. MEDICAL CENTER, WHERE SHE WORKED IN PEDIATRICS
9 OUTPATIENT AS WELL AS IN THE NEUROLOGICAL, TRAUMA AND MEDICAL
10 INTENSIVE CARE UNITS. SHE TRANSFERRED TO HUBERT H. HUMPHREY
11 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER IN 2005, WHERE SHE CURRENTLY WORKS
12 IN URGENT CARE. SHE IS WELL KNOWN FOR HER TREMENDOUS WORK
13 ETHIC, HER FOLLOW THROUGH AND HER PLEASANT ATTITUDE. SHE HAS
14 THREE SONS WITH WHOM SHE LOVES SPENDING TIME. SHE ALSO
15 VOLUNTEERS CONSISTENTLY FOR THE REVLON BREAST CANCER WALK THAT
16 TAKES PLACE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS IN EXPOSITION PARK. SHE HOPES
17 TO RETURN TO BECOME A NURSE ANESTHETIST AND TO TRAVEL TO EGYPT
18 AND TO THE BRITISH WEST INDIES. AND MS. GRIFFIN, WHEN YOU GO
19 TO THOSE PLACES, DON'T FORGET TO INVITE US WITH YOU, WE WOULD
20 BE GLAD TO TAKE THOSE TRIPS. LET'S GIVE A BIG ROUND OF
21 APPLAUSE TO TRACY GRIFFIN. [APPLAUSE.] BELINDA JENKINS. SHE
22 BEGAN HER CAREER AT THE COUNTY PROVIDING SERVICES SOME 14
23 YEARS AGO IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS A REGISTERED NURSE
24 ADMINISTERING MEDICATION TO INMATES AND ASSISTING PHYSICIANS
25 WITH THEIR TREATMENT REGIMEN. SHE WAS TRANSFERRED TO



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1 L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S PEDIATRIC
2 UNIT AS A STAFF NURSE, WHERE SHE MENTORED NEW STAFF AND
3 ADMINISTERED CHEMOTHERAPY AND OTHER ROUTINE MEDICATIONS TO
4 PEDIATRIC PATIENTS. SHE IS CURRENTLY A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE AT
5 CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES WHERE SHE IS WIDELY RECOGNIZED
6 FOR HER HIGH STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONALISM. LADIES AND
7 GENTLEMEN, I THINK WE OUGHT TO GIVE ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO
8 BELINDA JENKINS FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
9 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.] SO WE'D LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL OF
10 YOU FOR YOUR DEMONSTRATED COMMITMENT TO OUR COUNTY THROUGH
11 YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE THROUGH THESE MEDICAL FACILITIES. THEY
12 ARE BETTER BECAUSE OF WHAT YOU DO. AND FOR THAT WE ARE
13 PROFOUNDLY APPRECIATIVE. ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CONSTITUENTS OF
14 THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
17 [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I INVITE THE THIRD DISTRICT NURSES TO COME
20 FORWARD. I HAVE THREE PRESENTATIONS, MR. MAYOR. FIRST IS
21 FARIAD ALI, WHO HAS WORKED AS A REGIONAL NURSE WITH THE COUNTY
22 OF LOS ANGELES FOR 13-1/2 YEARS, STARTING HER CAREER IN 1997
23 AS A STAFF NURSE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
24 DEPARTMENT. SINCE 2004, SHE HAS WORKED FOR JUVENILE COURT
25 HEALTH SERVICES, AND SHE IS CURRENTLY A REGISTERED NURSE AT



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1 THE BARRY NIDORF JUVENILE HALL. OVER THE COURSE OF HER COUNTY
2 CAREER, MS. ALI HAS CONSISTENTLY DEMONSTRATED THAT SHE IS A
3 TREMENDOUS ASSET TO THE COUNTY AND TO THE JUVENILE COURT
4 HEALTH SERVICES. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING FARIAD ALI
5 ON HER AWARD. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT IS PATRICIA MORENO. PATRICIA
6 STARTED HER NURSING CAREER AS A STAFF NURSE WITH L.A. COUNTY
7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN 1998, CARING FOR INMATES AT PITCHESS
8 DETENTION CENTER. IN 2001, SHE TRANSFERRED TO JUVENILE COURT
9 HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WHERE SHE PROVIDED CARE TO
10 JUVENILES AT BARRY J. NIDORF JUVENILE HALL IN SYLMAR. HER
11 EXCELLENT SKILLS AND DEDICATION TO HER CLIENTS GARNERED HER A
12 J.C.H.S. NURSE OF THE YEAR AWARD IN 2004. IN 2006, MS. MORENO
13 TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES SAN FERNANDO
14 HEALTH CENTER, WHERE PROVIDES CARE TO CLIENTS RANGING IN AGE
15 FROM NEWBORN TO SENIORS. OVER THE PAST 12 YEARS, SHE HAS
16 GAINED THE RESPECT OF HER COWORKERS AND SUPERVISORS AS SHE HAS
17 CONSISTENTLY DEMONSTRATED THAT SHE IS A TEAM PLAYER AND AN
18 EXEMPLARY COUNTY NURSE. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING
19 PATRICIA MORENO ON THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.] LAST BUT CERTAINLY
20 NOT LEAST IS SUNG HI YU. GOES BY THE NAME OF SUNNY. SUNNY YU
21 BEGAN HER COUNTY NURSING CAREER IN PUBLIC HEALTH JUST OVER 3-
22 1/2 YEARS AGO AND SOON TRANSFERRED TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
23 HEALTH. SHE DOVE IT INTO HER NEW CAREER WITH ENTHUSIASM AND
24 NOW WORKS AT OUR HOLLYWOOD MENTAL HEALTH CENTER. MS. YU
25 PROVIDES -- HELPS TRAIN SOCIAL WORK AND PSYCHOLOGY INTERNS AT



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1 THE CLINIC ON TREATMENT ISSUES IN WORKING WITH ASIAN AMERICANS
2 AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS. SUNNY'S CLIENTS ARE LUCKY TO HAVE HER
3 AS THEIR NURSE BECAUSE SHE ALWAYS CARES ABOUT HER CLIENTS'
4 WELL-BEING. RECENTLY WHEN ONE OF HER CLIENTS BECAME SICK, SHE
5 VISITED HER REPEATEDLY IN THE HOSPITAL TO PROVIDE SUPPORT.
6 SONNY'S COWORKERS ALSO APPRECIATE HAVING HER ON THEIR TEAM AS
7 SHE HANDLES ALL TASKS WITH OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM AND
8 DEDICATION. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING SUNG HI YU, SUNNY
9 YU, ON THIS AWARD. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME
15 THREE OUTSTANDING NURSES, AS WELL FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT.
16 AND FIRST WE HAVE LOUISA ONG DECASTRO FROM RANCHO. SHE'S BEEN
17 A COUNTY NURSE FOR 22 YEARS. SHE BEGAN HER COUNTY NURSING
18 CAREER AT RANCHO IN 1990. HER QUALITY NURSING CARE AND
19 LEADERSHIP WERE VERY APPARENT FROM THE VERY, VERY BEGINNING.
20 SHE WORKED FOR NINE YEARS AT RANCHO'S INPATIENT UNITS, CARING
21 FOR SPINAL CORD INJURED PATIENTS ON VENTILATORS. SHE BECAME A
22 CLINIC NURSE AT RANCHO'S AMBULATORY CARE AREA IN 1999, WORKING
23 WITH THE VARIETY OF PATIENT POPULATIONS THAT WE HAVE OUT
24 THERE. SHE JOINED THE AMBULATORY CARE LEADERSHIP TEAM IN 2002,
25 WHERE SHE'S MADE AN INCREDIBLE IMPACT ON PATIENT CARE AND



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1 PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION. SHE IS KNOWN FOR HER EXCELLENT PATIENT
2 CARE AND FOR THE POSITIVE EXAMPLES THAT SHE SETS FOR RANCHO'S
3 EMPLOYEES. IN SEPTEMBER 2009, AND I WAS THERE, LOUISA WAS
4 HONORED AS RANCHO'S EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH. AS THE ASSISTANT TO
5 THE CARE NURSE MANAGER SHE IS WORKING TOWARDS A VERY IMPORTANT
6 GOAL OF DEVELOPING MEDICAL HOMES FOR SPINAL CORD INJURY AND
7 STROKE PATIENTS SERVED AT RANCHO. SO TRULY AN ASSET TO THE
8 DEPARTMENT. TRULY AN ASSET TO RANCHO, AND THEY LOVE HER OUT
9 THERE. AND JUST SAY CONGRATULATIONS ONCE AGAIN, LOUISA.
10 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT IS MI YUNG HAN FROM THE BELLFLOWER HEALTH
11 CENTER. SHE HAS BEEN A COUNTY NURSE FOR 27 YEARS. SHE HAS BEEN
12 AN R.N. FOR 10 YEARS IN KOREA AND THEN 35 YEARS HERE IN THE
13 UNITED STATES. IN 1984, MRS. HAN STARTED HER CAREER WITH L.A.
14 COUNTY AT THE KING-DREW MEDICAL CENTER. CURRENTLY SHE IS
15 WORKING AT OUR BELLFLOWER HEALTH CENTER IN FAMILY MEDICINE
16 CLINIC. SHE'S A HARD WORKER, PATIENT ADVOCATE, ALWAYS
17 AVAILABLE FOR PATIENTS, TEAM, AS WELL AS MANAGERS. AND VERY
18 POPULAR OUT THERE. SHE HAS DEMONSTRATED EXCELLENT CUSTOMER
19 SERVICE AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS. TEAM MEMBERS THEMSELVES
20 NOMINATED HER AS NURSE OF THE YEAR IN 2011 WITHOUT ANY
21 HESITATION WHATSOEVER. SHE'S A GREAT ASSET TO OUR BELLFLOWER
22 HEALTH CENTER AND OUR ENTIRE NURSING DEPARTMENT,
23 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT THEY HAVE GAIL SHARP ON OUR
24 END WITH OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. SHE HAS BEEN
25 A COUNTY NURSE FOR OVER 20 YEARS. SHE IS AN INCREDIBLE



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1 RESOURCE FOR POLICY AND TRAINING. SHE IN ADDITION VOLUNTEERS
2 TO TAKE ON ADDITIONAL TASKS AND PROJECTS SUCH AS THE
3 INTRODUCTION OF THE FILE TOURNIQUETS FOR OUR E.M.S. PERSONNEL.
4 DID I GET THAT RIGHT? SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO PUT A TOURNIQUET
5 ON ME, OKAY.

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7 **GAIL SHARP:** C-A-T. CAT COMBAT OPERATION TOURNIQUETS.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** COMBAT. THAT'S WHERE I REALLY DON'T WANT THEM,
10 OKAY? GAIL'S AN EXPERIENCED AND KNOWLEDGEABLE EDUCATOR,
11 INCREDIBLE RESOURCE AS A TEAM MEMBER AT OUR COUNTY FIRE
12 DEPARTMENT. AND WE APPRECIATE ALL THAT SHE DOES. AND I KNOW
13 SHE IS WELL LIKED, WELL THOUGHT OF AND A LEADER OUT THERE. AND
14 OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL JUST THINK THE WORLD OF HER. SO
15 CONGRATULATIONS, GAIL. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?
18 [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THOSE ARE SPECIAL COUNTY EMPLOYEES, AND
21 WE'RE DELIGHTED THAT WE WERE ABLE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM. AND NOW
22 WE WISH TO MOVE TO ONE WHO HAS DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF IN A
23 VARIETY OF WAYS OVER MANY YEARS. HE IS THE ONE AND ONLY JOE
24 SCOTT. AND JOE IS RETIRING -- GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND OF
25 APPLAUSE, WILL YOU? [APPLAUSE.] LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU'LL



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1 WANT TO KNOW THAT JOE SCOTT IS A NATIVE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT
2 FROM A NOTABLE LINE OF ANGELINOS. HIS GRANDFATHER, JOSEPH
3 SCOTT, WAS A LEGENDARY DEFENSE LAWYER WHO WAS A FOUNDER OF
4 BOTH THE LOS ANGELES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE SOUTHWEST
5 MUSEUM. AND MANY OF YOU WILL TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT HIS
6 STATUE IS PLACED RIGHT ON GRAND AVENUE. IF YOU WERE TO EXIT
7 THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION MANY DAYS, YOU WILL HAVE SEEN IT.
8 BORN IN THE COMMUNITY OF WEST ADAMS, ATTENDED LOYOLA HIGH
9 SCHOOL. JOE IS A CUB AMONG OTHER THINGS. AND HE EARNED A
10 BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE FROM THAT GREAT UNIVERSITY KNOWN AS
11 NOTRE DAME. HE'S WELL KNOWN THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR
12 HIS WORK AS A LONGTIME POLITICAL CONSULTANT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
13 EXPERT. HE WAS AMONG THOSE IN THE '60S WHO JOINED FORCES TO
14 AID A MAYORAL CAMPAIGN FOR THEN CITY COUNCILMAN TOM BRADLEY.
15 HE'S ALSO REMEMBERED FOR HIS TWICE-WEEKLY COLUMN IN THE LOS
16 ANGELES HERALD EXAMINER, WHERE HE PROVIDED A CLEAR, CONCISE,
17 YOU MIGHT SAY COGENT ANALYSIS OF OFTEN PERPLEXING AND EVEN
18 VEXING COMMUNITY AND POLITICAL ISSUES. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER IN
19 1978, WHEN HE WAS DRAFTED BY THE LEGENDARY EDITOR, JIM
20 BELLOWS. AND HE SHARED HIS WISDOM THROUGH HIS PEN FOR SOME
21 MANY YEARS UNTIL 1989. JOE HAS LEANT HIS EXPERTISE TO BOTH
22 SIDES OF THE POLITICAL PERSPECTIVE, WORKING FOR BOTH DEMOCRATS
23 AND REPUBLICANS, MOST RECENTLY HAVING SERVED ON THE LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR OUR DISTRICT
25 ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY, AND DID THAT FOR A DECADE PLUS AS THE



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1 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS. AND YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT JOE
2 REMAINS ACTIVE IN TERMS OF CIVIC AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS, KNOWN
3 TO MANY OF US AS THE SAGE FOR THE PEOPLE. AND HE HAS,
4 THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, MADE THAT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR OVER AND
5 OVER AGAIN. AND WE WANT YOU TO BE ABLE TO FIND JOE SCOTT WHEN
6 YOU NEED HIM AT WWW.JOESCOTT3.COM AND CHECK OUT HIS BLOG, THE
7 BODY POLITIC. AND SO JOE, WE WISH TO SAY TO YOU ON THE
8 OCCASION OF YOUR RETIREMENT, THAT WE APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU
9 HAVE DONE, THAT WHICH YOU ARE DOING AND THAT WHICH YOU WILL
10 CONTINUE TO DO FOR THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT IS
11 WITH HIGH HONOR THAT WE PRESENT THIS ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE
12 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, JOE
13 SCOTT, THE SAGE FOR THE PEOPLE. [APPLAUSE.] ON BEHALF OF THE
14 OFFICE, CHIEF DEPUTY, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND REPRESENT.

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16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, COME ON, JOE. THIS IS A DEAR
17 FRIEND, BUT HE'S A TREASURED FRIEND OF THE D.A.'S OFFICE. AND
18 HE HAS A LOT OF SUPPORTERS AND I THINK ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER
19 THAN WORDS. IF I COULD JUST HAVE THE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE
20 WHO ARE HERE FROM THE OFFICE STAND WHO CAME TO SUPPORT JOE.
21 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. JOE HAS SERVED THE OFFICE FOR 10 YEARS
22 AND HE'S GOTTEN US OUT OF A LOT OF TIGHT SPOTS, SO WE ARE VERY
23 GRATEFUL FOR HIM. HE'S BRILLIANT AND WE WISH HIM WELL. THANK
24 YOU FOR HONORING OUR JOE. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **JOE SCOTT:** WELL, I'M CERTAINLY IMMENSELY OVERWHELMED BY THIS
2 OUTPOURING OF KINDNESS. AND THE SUPERVISOR PARTICULARLY FOR
3 DOING THIS. AND YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN AROUND A LONG TIME. I'VE
4 DONE A LOT OF THINGS. AND THE MOST INTERESTING THING I EVER
5 DID, THOUGH, WAS JOIN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN 2000
6 AFTER HELPING ELECT STEVE COOLEY. I HAD NO IDEA OF THIS WORLD
7 THAT EXISTED OUT THERE. I'VE ALWAYS WORKED FOR MYSELF, SOLE
8 OPERATIVE. AND I JOINED A VERY LARGE AND TREMENDOUS OFFICE,
9 THE LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY, THE LARGEST MEDIA RELATIONS
10 OFFICE. THEY'RE ALL SITTING DOWN THERE. I'M PROUD OF THEM. AND
11 ALL THE SENIOR EXECUTIVES IN THE D.A.'S OFFICE THAT HAVE BEEN
12 VERY KIND TO ME OVER THESE YEARS. AND I HAVE RETIRED FROM THE
13 OFFICE, BUT I HAVE NOT RETIRED FROM POLITICS. AND 2012 WILL BE
14 AN INTERESTING YEAR. SINCE 1850, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A WOMAN
15 DISTRICT ATTORNEY. AND I AM VERY HOPEFUL THAT THERE WILL BE
16 ONE CANDIDATE THAT WE CAN ALL GET BEHIND. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU
17 VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE INIMITABLE JOE SCOTT, LADIES AND
20 GENTLEMEN. MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, MAY I INVITE A
21 DISTINGUISHED ACTOR AND PLAYWRIGHT. HE IS NONE OTHER THAN
22 ROGER GUENVEUR SMITH. GIVE HIM A HAND, WON'T YOU PLEASE?
23 [APPLAUSE.] RAISED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT AND A GRADUATE OF
24 LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL, MUCH LIKE JOE SCOTT, THEY DID NOT GRADUATE
25 IN THE SAME YEAR BUT NONETHELESS THEY ARE BOTH CUBS. ROGER



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1 GREW UP IN LEIMERT PARK AND AFTER GRADUATING FROM LOYOLA, HE
2 ATTENDED OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE. AND THIS YEAR OCCIDENTAL AWARDED
3 ROGER THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS IN
4 RECOGNITION FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL WORK. ROGER BEGAN GRADUATE
5 STUDIES IN HISTORY AT YALE. BUT ALSO ENROLLED IN THE
6 UNIVERSITY'S STORIED DRAMA DEPARTMENT, THE SCHOOL OF DRAMA.
7 HIS FACE IS LIKELY FAMILIAR TO MANY OF YOU DUE TO HIS
8 SUCCESSES AS AN ACTOR. HE HAS APPEARED IN NUMEROUS FILMS BY
9 DIRECTOR SPIKE LEE, SUCH AS "DO THE RIGHT THING," YOU REMEMBER
10 THAT, "MALCOLM X" AS WELL AS RIDLEY SCOTT'S "AMERICAN
11 GANGSTER." THAT WOULD BE RIDLEY SCOTT. NOT RIDLEY-THOMAS.
12 [LAUGHTER.] BEYOND ROGER'S MAINSTREAM FILM ROLES, HE HAS
13 PRODUCED AN IMPRESSIVE BODY OF WORK THAT ESTABLISHES HIM AS A
14 TRUE ACTOR INTELLECTUAL. HIS STAGE WORK AMBITIOUSLY COMBINES
15 HISTORY, THE POLITICS OF RACE AND A FEARLESS PURSUIT OF
16 UNIVERSAL TRUTHS EVEN WHEN THE TRUTH HURTS. THEY INCLUDE
17 "FREDERICK DOUGLASS NOW," "THE WATTS TOWER PROJECT," WITH MARK
18 BORYARD "INSIDE THE CREOLE MAFIA." AND ON MAY 19, HE WILL OPEN
19 AN ESPECIALLY RELEVANT PRODUCTION AT THE KIRK DOUGLAS THEATER
20 IN CULVER CITY, "JUAN AND JOHN," WHICH ROGER WROTE. IT TELLS
21 THE STORY OF A BRUTAL INCIDENT AT A GIANT-DODGER GAME. THIS
22 ONE, HOWEVER, WAS IN 1965. AND SOME MAY, IN FACT, REMEMBER
23 THAT. IT TELLS THE STORY OF A GAME IN WHICH GIANTS PITCHER
24 JUAN MARICHAL. THANK YOU, ZEV, THANK YOU, DON, I KNOW YOU BOTH
25 WERE THERE. IN A FIT OF ANGER, CLUBBED DODGERS CATCHER JOHN



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1 ROSEBORO ON THE HEAD WITH HIS BAT, OPENING UP AN UNSIGHTLY
2 SCENE. THE SHOW TOUCHES ON THEMES OF VIOLENCE, RACE, THE WATTS
3 RIOTS OF THE SAME YEAR, AND FORGIVENESS THAT TOOK PLACE
4 BETWEEN THESE TWO MEN WHO LATER BECAME FRIENDS. AND SO HERE WE
5 ARE TODAY CELEBRATING ROGER. SOMETIMES RELATIONSHIPS TURNED.
6 ROSEBORO HAD TO COME TO THE AID OF MARICHAL WHEN HE WAS IN A
7 LITTLE TROUBLE AROUND THE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME. THIS IS
8 DEPICTED IN THIS PLAY. AND I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE AWAY THE
9 WHOLE SCENE BECAUSE WE WANT YOU TO GO SEE IT FOR YOURSELF. BUT
10 IT'S AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF THE WAY ROGER HAS DEVOTED HIS
11 CAREER TO CHALLENGING US ALL TO FIND COMPASSION AND GRACE THAT
12 LIES BENEATH THE OFTEN ROUGH SURFACE OF OUR EXISTENCE. AND SO
13 I'M PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE YOU TODAY. WE SAID THE KIRK DOUGLAS
14 THEATER IN CULVER CITY. WE INVITE YOU ALL TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
15 THAT. AND, AGAIN, WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY, ROGER, TO SAY
16 THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE WITH YOUR GIFTS, YOUR
17 TALENTS, YOUR SPIRIT IS LARGE. LOS ANGELES IS BETTER BECAUSE
18 OF THE QUALITY AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING ART THAT YOU BRING TO US.
19 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE ROGER GUENVEUR SMITH.
20 HE'S IN THE HOUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **ROGER GUENVEUR SMITH:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU,
23 FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE HERE AMONGST YOU,
24 TO BE HONORED AMONGST THOSE WHO ARE SO DESERVING OF HONOR.
25 CONSUL ORTEGA, (SPANISH). THE NURSES, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR



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1 THE GOOD WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE AND MAY HAVE TO DO THIS
2 MORNING. I AM WITH MY BELOVED PARTNER, LA TONYA KIRKLAND AND
3 WE ARE EXPECTING A CHILD AT ANY MOMENT, SO YOU MAY HAVE TO BE
4 CALLED INTO ACTION. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR
5 YOUR HARD WORK ON BEHALF OF LEIMERT PARK VILLAGE. I AM A
6 NATIVE OF LEIMERT PARK. IT IS WHERE I FIRST ATTENDED THE
7 CINEMA. I RAN OUT OF "SNOW WHITE AND SEVEN DWARVES" IN HORROR
8 WHEN THE WICKED WITCH CAME ON. AND IT'S WHERE I FIRST STARTED
9 DOING WORK THAT I CONTINUE TO DO, COMBINING HISTORY, BIOGRAPHY
10 AND PERFORMANCE. AND WE KNOW THAT LEIMERT PARK VILLAGE, ALONG
11 WITH THE WATTS TOWERS, IS ONE OF THOSE PLACES THAT IS A MUST
12 STOP FOR ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN CULTURE IN THIS CITY. AND
13 WE ARE PARTICULARLY HAPPY -- LET THE RECORD SHOW -- THAT YOU
14 ARE WORKING TIRELESSLY THAT LEIMERT PARK SHOULD BE A
15 CONVENIENT AND VERY ACCESSIBLE STOP ON OUR PUBLIC
16 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU FOR THAT WORK.
17 AND THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. AND I HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE
18 KIRK DOUGLAS THEATER. WE OPEN NEXT WEEK WITH "JUAN AND JOHN."
19 [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, THAT CONCLUDES MY
22 PRESENTATIONS.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I'D LIKE TO ASK ALL
2 THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE HERE IN CONNECTION WITH HUMAN
3 TRAFFICKING RECOGNITION DAY TO JOIN ME. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
4 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE SECRETARY OF STATE HILARY RODHAM
5 CLINTON HAS DESCRIBED THE ABUSIVE EXPLOITATIVE PRACTICE OF
6 HUMAN TRAFFICKING AS MODERN SLAVERY. AN INTOLERABLE AFFRONT TO
7 OUR VALUES AND OUR COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS. THE DEPARTMENT
8 OF STATE'S OFFICE TO MONITOR AND COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS
9 WAS ESTABLISHED IN THIS YEAR 2000 BY THE TRAFFICKING VICTIMS
10 PROTECTION ACT OF 2000, INTENDED TO EXTEND AND ENLARGE THE
11 GUARANTEES OF FREEDOM FROM SLAVERY AND INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE
12 ESTABLISHED IN THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION WITH
13 RECONSTRUCTION AMENDMENTS, RELATED STATUTES AND INTERNATIONAL
14 TREATY OBLIGATIONS, THE ACT DEFINES THE MAJOR FORMS OF HUMAN
15 TRAFFICKING AS FORCED LABOR, SEX TRAFFICKING, BONDED LABOR,
16 DEBT BONDAGE, INVOLUNTARY DOMESTIC SERVITUDE, FORCED CHILD
17 LABOR, CHILD SOLDIERS, AND CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING. STATE
18 DEPARTMENT EFFORTS TO COMBAT THE PROBLEM OF MODERN SLAVERY
19 INCLUDE BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY, TARGETED FOREIGN
20 AID, PUBLIC EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS
21 TO UNDERTAKE THE EFFECTIVE COUNTER TRAFFICKING STRATEGIES.
22 TOWARD THIS END, IT IS APPROPRIATE THAT WE RECOGNIZE THE
23 IMPORTANT EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN HERE IN THIS COUNTY TO ADDRESS
24 THE PROBLEM BOTH LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY. SO WE RESOLVE, THE
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLVES THIS MORNING THAT THE COUNTY OF



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1 LOS ANGELES HEREBY PROCLAIMS MAY 10TH, TODAY, AS HUMAN
2 TRAFFICKING RECOGNITION DAY AND ENCOURAGES ALL RESIDENTS TO
3 BECOME BETTER INFORMED ABOUT THIS VITALLY IMPORTANT HUMAN
4 RIGHTS ISSUE AND THE INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY
5 TO ERADICATE THIS ABUSIVE AND EXPLOITATIVE PRACTICE. THIS IS
6 AN ISSUE THAT AFFECTS EVERY CONTINENT ON THE PLANET. IT
7 AFFECTS MOST OF THE COUNTRIES ON THE GLOBE. AND IT AFFECTS OUR
8 OWN COMMUNITY FROM TIME TO TIME. WE HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY
9 VICTIMIZED BY HUMAN TRAFFICKING. AND IT'S BECOME A LAW
10 ENFORCEMENT ISSUE, A HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN
11 BACKYARD. SO IT'S NOT JUST SOMETHING WE READ ABOUT IN THE FAR
12 OFF REACHES OF THE GLOBE, BUT IT ACTUALLY IS AN ISSUE FOR US
13 RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES. OUR LOCAL, FEDERAL PROSECUTORS, OUR
14 LOCAL, STATE, AND COUNTY PROSECUTORS HAVE ALL BEEN INVOLVED IN
15 THIS ISSUE. AND IT NEEDS TO BE GIVEN MORE OF A SPOTLIGHT THAN
16 IT HAS, FRANKLY. BECAUSE I THINK EVERY WELL MEANING MAN, WOMAN
17 AND CHILD WHO UNDERSTANDS THE DEPTH AND BREADTH OF THE SCOURGE
18 WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SLEEP AT NIGHT AND WOULD ACTUALLY RISE UP
19 AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. AND IN THAT REGARD, WE ARE PLEASED
20 TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO YOU. WE ARE GOING TO PRESENT
21 THIS PRINCIPAL PROCLAMATION TO MS. CARNIA CHOKI, DIRECTOR OF
22 NAMASTE, NEPAL HELPING HIMALAYAN CHILDREN, AN INTERNATIONAL
23 NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION, WHO WILL BE ACCEPTING THE SCROLL
24 FOR THE GROUP. BUT I DO WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE GROUP, WHICH
25 INCLUDES MISS VANESSA LANSA, DIRECTOR OF THE COALITION TO



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1 ABOLISH SLAVERY AND TRAFFICKING. YOU JUST RAISE YOUR HAND.
2 MISS MARISSA HUGARTE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BILATERAL
3 SAFETY CORRIDOR COALITION. SHE'S RIGHT BEHIND YOU. MISS HEIDI
4 THI, SUPERVISOR OF ORANGE COUNTY HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASKFORCE.
5 MISS HEATHER GUAY, BOARD MEMBER AND DIRECTOR OF VOLUNTEERS OF
6 EMPOWERED NEPALI GIRLS FOUNDATION. YOU'RE REPRESENTING HER,
7 TOO, OKAY. AND MISS HISANO NIIKURA OF THE THAI COMMUNITY
8 DEVELOPMENT CENTER. WE HAVE CERTIFICATES FOR ALL OF YOU WHICH
9 I WILL GIVE IN A MOMENT. LET ME GIVE THIS TO CAREEN AN JOCKEY
10 AND ASK YOU TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP. THANK
11 YOU.

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13 **CARINA CHOKI:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS, FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE OUR MISSION.
15 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, AND THANK YOU, MR. SON
16 MY MOKAPADYA, PRESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES INDIAN
17 PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL THAT YOU BELIEVE
18 IN THIS CAUSE. HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS A MODERN DAY SLAVERY. AND
19 SADLY IT IS STRONGER THAN EVER BEFORE AND HAS EQUALED ILLEGAL
20 ARMS INDUSTRY. THE BUSINESS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS ESTIMATED
21 7 TO \$9 BILLION OF REVENUE PER YEAR. IN ORDER TO SOLVE THIS
22 PROBLEM OR ANY SOCIAL PROBLEM, FIRST WE HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE
23 THAT THE PROBLEM EXISTS. THIS IS DONE THROUGH RAISING SOCIAL
24 AWARENESS. I THANK ALL THE AGENCIES THAT ARE PRESENT HERE
25 TODAY THAT ARE FIGHTING DAILY AGAINST THIS HEINOUS CRIME. I



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1 WORK FOR LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AS A
2 TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER. AND IT IS MY HONOR TO INTRODUCE A
3 SPECIAL GUEST, MR. KEN HUSTING, OF L.A. D.O.T. HE IS THE HEAD
4 OF THE REGIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DIVISION
5 WHERE I AM A PART OF THE TEAM. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
6 SUPPORT, NOT ONLY FOR MY WORK, BUT FOR THIS CAUSE. THANK YOU
7 ALL FOR SHARING THIS DAY WITH US. AND IT IS MY HONOR TO
8 CELEBRATE THIS SPECIAL EVENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES
13 AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO ASK OUR COUNTY LIBRARIAN,
14 MARGARET DONNELLAN TODD TO JOIN US HERE AND ALSO A DEAR
15 FRIEND, THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR THE LOS ANGELES
16 OPERA, STACY BRIGHTMAN, AND THE OPERA TALES PERFORMING TEAM.
17 I'M GOING TO ASK THEM TO JOIN ME, AS WELL. I WOULD REALLY LIKE
18 TO EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION TO STACY AND MARGARET FOR THIS
19 INCREDIBLE PROGRAM. "OPERA TALES," THEY HAVE CREATED AND
20 PRESENTED FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS. SEVEN YEARS AGO, I
21 INTRODUCED STACY AND MARGARET TO EACH OTHER AND ASKED IF THEY
22 COULD CREATE AN OPERA PROGRAM THAT WOULD BE PERFORMED IN OUR
23 FOURTH DISTRICT COUNTY LIBRARIES TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND
24 RESIDENTS WHO MAY HAVE NEVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE AN
25 OPERA. IN ADDITION, AND ON TOP OF ALL THAT, A MEMBER OF THE



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1 LOS ANGELES OPERA BOARD WAS SO IMPRESSED WITH THE PROGRAM THAT
2 SHE FUNDED FIVE PERFORMANCES, ONE IN EACH SUPERVISORIAL
3 DISTRICT EACH YEAR. AND AS A RESULT OF THAT, THOUSANDS OF
4 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES HAVE EXPERIENCED STORIES TOLD THROUGH
5 SONG IN THEIR LOCAL LIBRARIES. AND I WAS TELLING THE TEAM THIS
6 MORNING THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED SO MANY LETTERS AND SO MANY KIND
7 NOTES FROM YOUNG PEOPLE, FROM ADULTS, OF THEIR FIRST-TIME
8 EXPERIENCE. AND THE WAY THIS TEAM HAS PUT IT ALL TOGETHER,
9 I'VE BEEN ABLE TO WITNESS IT SEVERAL TIMES MYSELF. AND IT'S
10 WHAT AN EXPERIENCE, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY
11 FOR SOME OF THESE FOLKS FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME. SO WE'D LIKE
12 TO ACKNOWLEDGE, AS WELL, THE TALENTS AND EFFORTS OF THE
13 ARTISTS AND STAFF MEMBERS THAT ARE HERE TODAY WHO HAVE HELPED
14 MAKE THIS PROGRAM POSSIBLE. WE PRESENTED THEM INDIVIDUALLY
15 SCROLLS UP THERE TODAY. BUT I'D LIKE TO HAVE THEM SORT OF WAVE
16 OUT THEIR HANDS BACK THERE, INTRODUCE OUR OPERA TALES TEAM
17 THAT DOES THESE PERFORMANCES EACH AND EVERY YEAR. WE HAVE BOB
18 MCNEAL, DANIEL FAULTAS, LEROY VILLANUEVA, DARIO SUMMERS, ELI
19 VILLANUEVA, LESLIE STEVENS, VINCENT ROBLES, AND ANTHONY JONES
20 AND JENNIFER BABCOCK. LET'S GIVE THEM ALL A VERY, VERY BIG
21 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] IN ADDITION, IN THE AUDIENCE,
22 WE HAVE MANY OF OUR COUNTY LIBRARY STAFF WHO HAVE WORKED
23 CLOSELY WITH THE L.A. OPERA TO ENSURE THAT ALL THE
24 PERFORMANCES ARE WELL-RECEIVED IN THE LIBRARY. SO TO EVERYONE
25 INVOLVED, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR AN INCREDIBLE



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1 PROGRAM. AND, ONCE AGAIN, ACCESS TO THE ARTS IS WHAT WE'RE
2 TRYING TO DO HERE IN THE COUNTY TO GIVE EVERYONE AN
3 OPPORTUNITY TO TOUCH IT AND FEEL IT AND LIVE IT. SO WE THANK
4 L.A. OPERA. WE THANK THE LIBRARIES FOR BEING A GREAT PARTNER.
5 AND JUST SAY THANKS. AND SO I HAVE A SCROLL HERE FOR STACY FOR
6 THE L.A. OPERA FOLKS. AND THEN WHY DON'T YOU HAVE THE PICTURE
7 MARGARET?

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9 **MARGARET DONNELLAN TODD:** WE'RE SO GRATEFUL TO L.A. OPERATE.
10 THIS IS THE KIND OF EXPERIENCE THAT MANY OF THE CHILDREN WOULD
11 NEVER EVER, EVER HAVE IF IT WASN'T FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS TO
12 COME OUT TO OUR LIBRARIES. WE HAVE STANDING ROOM ONLY IN ALL
13 OF OUR DISTRICTS WHEN THEY COME. AND IT OPENS UP A WORLD THAT
14 MANY OF OUR CHILDREN KNOW NOTHING ABOUT. AND PROBABLY YOU MAY
15 GET SOME OPERA SINGERS OUT OF THIS, PERHAPS. I WANT TO THANK
16 OUR ADMINISTRATOR FOR YOUTH SERVICES, DEBBY ANDERSON, WHO IS
17 HERE. SHE COORDINATES ALL THIS AND MAKES SURE THAT IT HAPPENS.
18 SO THANK YOU.

19

20 **STACY BRIGHTMAN:** MR. MAYOR, DEAR HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I HAVE
21 THE MOST IMPORTANT THING I CAN SAY IS, STEP ASIDE. MAESTRO?

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23 **SINGER:** THANK YOU.

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25 **SINGER:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SINGER:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SINGER:** THANK YOU. VERY MUCH. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT A NICE SURPRISE.

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8 **STACY BRIGHTMAN:** SIX YEARS AGO, SUPERVISOR KNABE PLAYED
9 MATCHMAKER. IT WASN'T EXACTLY A BLIND DATE, BUT WHEN HE
10 BROUGHT MARGARET DONNELLAN AND MYSELF TOGETHER, I THINK HE
11 SUSPECTED THAT WE WOULD BE STRANGELY SUITED TO EACH OTHER. AND
12 THAT IS SO MUCH THE CASE BECAUSE BOTH THIS WONDERFUL
13 INSTITUTION OF THE L.A. COUNTY LIBRARY AND L.A. OPERA, WE CARE
14 ABOUT FILLING HEARTS AND MINDS WITH STORIES AND KNOWLEDGE AND
15 EMOTION AND ADVENTURE AND A SENSE OF THE BIGGER WORLD. AND IT
16 SEEMS THAT WHEN YOU FILL SOMEBODY'S MIND, A YOUNG PERSON'S
17 MIND ESPECIALLY THAT WAY, YOU DON'T LEAVE SPACE FOR OTHER
18 THINGS: FOR ANGER OR FRUSTRATION OR BOREDOM. SO WE ARE
19 HONORED, TRULY HONORED. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THANK YOU
20 ALL SUPERVISORS HERE. MARGARET, DEBBY, THE WONDERFUL FOLKS AT
21 THE L.A. COUNTY LIBRARY, AND OUR WONDERFUL ARTISTS, YOU MAKE
22 IT A JOY TO COME AND SHARE OUR LOVE AND KNOWLEDGE OF OPERA
23 WITH YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE TO ADD THERE'S EVEN ROMANCE. AS WE
2 PRESENTED SCROLLS, WE HAVE A COUPLE THAT'S ENGAGED THERE. BUT
3 I TOLD THEM, DON'T TELL ME WHAT HAPPENS BACKSTAGE. [LAUGHTER.]
4 MIKE?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO BRING UP THE DAVID
7 RICHARDSON, CHIEF DEPUTY, LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT AS WE
8 RECOGNIZE THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
9 DEPARTMENT'S FORESTRY DIVISION. BACK IN 1911, ON MAY 8, THE
10 BOARD CREATED THE BOARD OF FORESTRY AND ESTABLISHED THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF FORESTER FIRE WARDEN WITH THE SOLE
12 RESPONSIBILITY OF FIRE PREVENTION, SUPPRESSION FOR OVER 4,000
13 SQUARE MILES OF OUR COUNTY LANDS. THIS POSITION OF FORESTER
14 WAS CREATED TO PROTECT THE COUNTY'S FORESTS BY ESTABLISHING
15 FOREST PLANTING IN THE MOUNTAINS FOR REFORESTATION AND
16 PROTECTION AND DEVELOPING AND MAINTAINING PARKS AND FACILITY
17 GROUNDS. THE COUNTY FORESTER FIRE WARDEN CONTINUES TO ENFORCE
18 AND OBSERVE ALL BOARD ORDERS AND COUNTY ORDINANCES PERTAINING
19 TO FOREST, BRUSH AND OTHER FIRES. ADDITIONALLY, IN ALL
20 STATUTES RELATING TO PREVENTION OR EXTINGUISHING A FOREST,
21 BRUSH, OR GRASS FIRES IN THE COUNTY, COOPERATION WITH ALL
22 STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES, SO WE WANT CONGRATULATE YOU. AND
23 I'LL JUST SAY THAT IN OUR BOARD'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON, D.C.,
24 SENATOR FEINSTEIN'S STAFF SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED TO ME THEY'RE
25 STILL WORKING AND TRYING TO SEE THAT THE FOREST, U.S. FORESTRY



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1 SERVICE, IMPLEMENTS THOSE REFORMS THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
2 THE COUNTY AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE SUPPORTING AND
3 THAT THEIR INVESTIGATION IN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
4 ON THAT FOREST STATION FIRE WHICH DESTROYED 160,000 ACRES WILL
5 BE COMING OUT IN DECEMBER. AND I JUST WANT TO COMMEND OUR FIRE
6 DEPARTMENT FOR DOING THEIR REPORT, THEIR INVESTIGATIVE
7 RESEARCH AND HAVING IT OUT APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AFTER THAT
8 FIRE WITH THE SUGGESTIONS THAT ARE BEING CONTEMPLATED NOW BY
9 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SO HOPEFULLY ONE DAY THE FORESTRY WILL
10 BE PROTECTED BY THE COUNTY, WHO ARE ABLE TO HAVE FAST
11 RESPONSES AND NOT HAVE WHAT WE HAD IN THE PAST WITH THE
12 STATION FIRE TRAGEDY. SO, ANYWAY, LET ME GIVE YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **DAVID RICHARDSON:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS,
15 ON BEHALF OF FIRE CHIEF DARYL OSBY, WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR
16 THE RECOGNITION OF THE FORESTRY DIVISION'S 100TH YEAR
17 ANNIVERSARY, THEIR CENTENNIAL. THE FORESTRY DIVISION HAS
18 MANAGED AND FACILITATED A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE
19 YEARS, FROM GROWING EXPERIMENTAL VEGETATION IN THE 1940S FOR
20 CAMOUFLAGING PURPOSES FOR THE MILITARY TO SAFEGUARDING OUR OAK
21 TREES AND PROVIDING BRUSH CLEARANCE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
22 WE'RE PROUD OF THEIR COMMITMENT AND EXCELLENCE THAT OCCURS
23 WITHIN THE FORESTRY DIVISION. NOW IF I MAY I HAVE CHIEF TODD
24 HERE, OUR DIVISION CHIEF. I'D LIKE HIM TO SAY A COUPLE WORDS.

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1 **JOHN TODD:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND HONORABLE BOARD
2 MEMBERS, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. AND I'D LIKE TO ACCEPT THIS
3 AWARD ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED THE
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN THE FORESTRY DIVISION FOR THE PAST
5 100 YEARS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR
6 FORESIGHT AND CONTINUED SUPPORT AND PROTECTION OF NATURAL
7 RESOURCES. AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S A LOT OF PRESSURE ON RESOURCES
8 IN THE COUNTY WITH 10 MILLION PEOPLE. AND L.A. COUNTY FIRE
9 DEPARTMENT DOES A LOT OF THINGS VERY WELL. STRUCTURE FIRES,
10 EARTHQUAKES, HAZMAT RESPONSE, OCEAN RESCUES, EVEN
11 INTERNATIONAL DEPLOYMENTS. BUT I THINK WE'RE REALLY WELL KNOWN
12 FOR OUR WILD LAND FIRE ABILITIES AND OUR ABILITY IN THE WILD
13 LAND FIRE ARENA. AND I THINK THAT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE
14 FACT THAT THE ROOTS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ARE IN FORESTRY. SO
15 THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS GREAT HONOR AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
16 SERVING AGAIN FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WANT TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SOME REALLY
19 OUTSTANDING YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. AND
20 ALSO BRING UP KEVIN SARKISSIAN, WHO IS THE HEAD COACH OF YOUTH
21 FROM THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY'S TRACK CLUB. THESE YOUNG
22 STUDENTS WERE OFF AND RUNNING IN THE SOAR PROGRAM, WHICH IS A
23 DIVISION OF SANTA CLARITA'S THE TRACK CLUB. SOAR OFFERS OUR
24 VALLEY YOUTH THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN A FULLY
25 SUPPORTED 24-WEEK, 380-MILE MARATHON TRAINING PROGRAM. LESS



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1 THAN ONE PERCENT OF ALL AMERICANS EVER COMPLETE A FULL
2 MARATHON. WHERE'S SACHI? SACHI, SHE HAS COMPLETED. SHE CAME IN
3 WHAT? FOUR HOURS AND 45 MINUTES. DID YOU RUN, ZEV? ZEV HAS
4 BEEN RETIRED FOR 24 YEARS. THERE'S A YOUTH GROUP YOU CAN GET
5 INVOLVED IN. WHAT THEY DO, IT'S NOT ABOUT RECRUITING SEASONED
6 VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES. THE PROGRAM LOOKS FOR ANY OF THE
7 YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WANT TO RUN, WHO HAVE A HEART FOR IT, ARE
8 WILLING TO COMMIT A TRULY LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE, ONE THAT
9 IS GOING TO HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THEIR LIFE. SO WHAT ARE
10 THE RESULTS? PARENTS AND TEACHERS AND PARTICIPATING STUDENTS
11 REPORT A BETTER FOCUS ON SCHOOL, WHICH MEANS BETTER GRADES,
12 INCREASED POSITIVE SOCIAL INTERACTION AND IMPROVEMENT IN
13 OVERALL PHYSICAL HEALTH. SO ON MARCH 20, THEY SPONSORED A
14 GRUELING 26.2 MILE STADIUM-TO-THE-SEA MARATHON. 17 LOCAL
15 STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THAT TREK. SO WHAT WE HAVE, WE
16 HAVE GIVEN EACH OF THEM EARLIER PROCLAMATIONS. THEY CAME UP TO
17 THE OFFICE. AND WE JUST WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THE GREAT JOB
18 AND LET ME ASK THE COACH TO SAY A FEW GOOD WORDS. BUT THIS IS
19 WHAT YOU CAN DO WHEN YOU GET INVOLVED, GET COMMITTED, HAVE A
20 GOAL, BE POSITIVE. AND IT HELPS YOU IN THE CLASSROOM AND WITH
21 YOUR FRIENDS AND IN THE COMMUNITY. YOU WILL BE THE FUTURE
22 LEADERS OF TOMORROW BECAUSE OF THE DEDICATION AND DISCIPLINES
23 THAT YOU DID YESTERDAY AND DOING TODAY. THANK YOU. COACH?
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1 **KEN SARKISSIAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. I THINK I
2 SPEAK FOR THE ENTIRE TEAM WHEN I SAY IT'S TRULY AN HONOR TO BE
3 HERE TODAY. THE STUDENTS YOU SEE HERE TODAY, IN ADDITION TO
4 THEIR TEAMMATES WHO WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND, COMMIT TO A
5 GRUELING 24-WEEK, 380-MILE TRAINING PROGRAM IN PREPARATION FOR
6 THE 26.2 L.A. MARATHON. THE CONDITIONS THEY ENDURED ON
7 MARATHON DAY ALONE, THIS BEING ONE OF THE WORST STORMS IN
8 RECENT MEMORY ON MARATHON DAY, WERE REASON ENOUGH TO CELEBRATE
9 THEM BEING HERE TODAY. WE ARE TRULY PROUD OF THEM ALL AND WISH
10 THEM ALL CONTINUED SUCCESS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THEN WE CLOSE WITH LITTLE CALLIE,
13 WHO IS A TERRIER MIX. SHE IS ONE YEAR OLD AND SHE'S LOOKING
14 FOR A HOME. THIS IS LITTLE CALLIE. SO ANYBODY WHO'D LIKE TO
15 ADOPT HER? SHE LIKES TO RUN. HOW ARE YOU DOING LITTLE GIRL?
16 YOU CAN CALL THE NUMBER, 562-728-4644, OR ANYBODY IN THE
17 AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE CALLIE. WHAT DO YOU
18 THINK? SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. I'M ASKING THIS MORNING THAT ALL
21 MEMBERS ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LEGENDARY AND BELOVED LATINO
22 BUSINESSMAN AND ACTIVIST, JOE SANCHEZ, JR. FROM HIS EARLIEST
23 YEARS, JOE FOUGHT TIRELESSLY FOR THE LATINO AND MINORITY
24 EQUALITY. HE WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN
25 POLITICAL ORGANIZATION. AND ALSO LENT HIS EXPERTISE TO THE



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1 MEXICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN BAR
2 ASSOCIATION, EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE FOUNDATION AND THE
3 MEXICAN AMERICAN OPPORTUNITY FOUNDATION AS WELL AS THE LATIN
4 BUSINESS ASSOCIATION. JOE ALWAYS STOOD UP FIERCELY FOR
5 LATINOS, MINORITIES AND WOMEN. HE NEVER HESITATED TO HELP THE
6 VULNERABLE AND THE DISENFRANCHISED. HIS HEART WAS ALWAYS WITH
7 THE UNDERDOG. JOE VIGOROUSLY AIDED THE AMERICAN FARM WORKERS
8 OF AMERICA DURING HIS FIGHT FOR BASIC RIGHTS AND DIGNITY. HE
9 ALSO SUPPORTED LOCAL AND STATEWIDE ELECTED OFFICIALS, EVEN
10 WHEN THEIR CAUSES WERE TRULY UNPOPULAR. JOE IS A GENEROUS
11 PHILANTHROPIST AND PROLIFIC FUNDRAISER FOR MANY WORTHY
12 EFFORTS. FOR DECADES, JOE RAISED MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR
13 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES THROUGHOUT OUR
14 COMMUNITIES. IN 1973, MAYOR TOM BRADLEY APPOINTED JOE TO SERVE
15 ON THE LOS ANGELES FIRE COMMISSION. HE WAS THE FIRST LATINO
16 FIRE COMMISSIONER IN THE MODERN ERA. AS A COMMISSIONER, JOE
17 CHAMPIONED POLICY CHANGES AND ESTABLISHED VITAL PROGRAMS TO
18 ENSURE EQUITY. HE WAS A TIRELESS ADVOCATE FOR JUSTICE, ALWAYS
19 INSISTING ON FAIRNESS FOR ALL PEOPLE REGARDLESS OF RACE,
20 COLOR, CREED OR NATIONAL ORIGIN. LAST YEAR, THE CITY OF LOS
21 ANGELES COMMEMORATED JOE'S LIFETIME OF SERVICE AND
22 DISTINGUISHED ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY UNVEILING A BRONZE PLAQUE IN
23 HIS HONOR AT THE LINCOLN HEIGHTS FIRE STATION NO. 1 IN THE
24 CITY OF L.A. WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN PROUD OF JOE'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS
25 AND THE LEADERSHIP THAT HE'S PROVIDED TO ALL OF US AS WELL AS



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1 HIS FAMILY. HIS MOST RECENT PHILANTHROPIC GIFT WAS TO PLAZA DE
2 CULTURA Y ARTES, IN WHICH HE DONATED OVER A MILLION DOLLARS
3 FOR 10 YEARS. WE WERE SO VERY, VERY PROUD. TODAY WE MOURN
4 JOE'S LOSS. YET WE ALSO CELEBRATE HIS TREMENDOUS LEGACY, WHICH
5 TOUCHED SO MANY LIVES. WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO
6 ALL OF HIS FAMILY, TO HIS FRIENDS AND OF COURSE LEGIONS OF
7 ADMIRERS, AS WELL AS TO LAURA, HIS WIFE. SO I'D LIKE TO ASK
8 ALL MEMBERS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS. SECOND. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I HELD NO ITEMS, I DON'T THINK.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.
16 ANY ADJOURNMENTS? NO ADJOURNMENTS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?
17 WHILE WE'RE DOING SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSY, THEN WE JUST MOVED
18 FOR RECONSIDERATION ON 14, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. THE
19 DATE WAS WRONG AND SHOULD BE 2016 INSTEAD OF 2015. SO WITH
20 THAT UNDERSTANDING, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
21 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. MAYOR, I HAVE THREE ADJOURNING MOTIONS.
24 FIRST FOR JOSEPH BLACKMAN, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT
25 IN MALIBU, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. HE IS SURVIVED BY



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1 TWO SONS, ROBERT, A FOUNDING PARTNER WITH HEALTHCARE PARTNERS
2 MEDICAL GROUP, AND JOHN, A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY FAMILY WHO
3 SERVES AS AN ATTORNEY WITH THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
4 DEPARTMENT. ALSO HE IS SURVIVED BY THREE GRANDCHILDREN,
5 CARRIE, TESSA AND ANDREW; AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. SECOND I'D
6 LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JAN SPRUIJT WHO
7 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75. JAN IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, ROB,
8 A RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT AND A MEMBER OF TEMPLE ISRAEL
9 HOLLYWOOD BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AND HE'S SURVIVED BY A NUMBER OF
10 OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. AND LASTLY, ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
11 MEMORY OF JACKIE COOPER, FORMER 1930S, CHILD ACTOR WHO AS AN
12 ADULT BECAME A T.V. STAR, PRODUCTION EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR.
13 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88 FOLLOWING A BRIEF
14 ILLNESS. AFTER APPEARING IN THE "OUR GANG" COMEDY SHORTS, HE
15 STARRED IN A NUMBER OF SUCCESSFUL FEATURE FILMS, INCLUDING
16 "THE CHAMP," WITH WALLACE BEERY, AND "TREASURE ISLAND"
17 OPPOSITE LIONEL BARRYMORE. AFTER NAVAL SERVICE DURING WORLD
18 WAR II, HE RESUMED FILM ACTING IN FILM AND ON STAGE BUT
19 EVENTUALLY FOUND GREATER SUCCESS IN TELEVISION, STARRING IN
20 TWO HIT SERIES, "THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE," AND "HENNESSY." LATER
21 HE BECAME A WEST COAST PRODUCTION EXECUTIVE FOR SCREEN GEMS
22 TELEVISION AND DIRECTED MORE THAN 250 TELEVISION EPISODES,
23 OCCASIONALLY RETURNING TO ACT IN ROLES SUCH AS DAILY PLANET
24 EDITOR, PERRY WHITE IN THE SUPERMAN FILMS. JACKIE COOPER IS



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1 SURVIVED BY TWO SONS, JOHN AND RUSSELL. THOSE ARE MY
2 ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND ON JACKIE. ALL MEMBERS ON
5 JACKIE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO WE HAVE A LOT OF PUBLIC -- WHY DON'T WE
8 TAKE THE PUBLIC ITEMS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET DON DO HIS ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, FIRST OF ALL THAT
13 I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DONALD HERMANN, WHO WAS MY
14 UNCLE, WHO PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY. HE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY
15 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. THE LAST REMAINING BROTHER OF MY
16 MOTHER. AND MY MOM AND MY AUNT ARE THE LAST TWO STANDING OUT
17 OF 13 HERMANNS. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. HE'S SURVIVED BY WIFE,
18 MAVIS; A SON, DAVID; DAUGHTERS, BECKY AND SARAH. ALSO ADJOURN
19 IN MEMORY OF A LONGTIME FRIEND, ALEXANDER HAAGEN. A MAJOR
20 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOPPING CENTER DEVELOPER AND LONGTIME
21 RESIDENT OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES. PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE
22 AGE OF 91. HE WAS IN THE MERCHANT MARINES, AND HE ALSO BOUGHT
23 A JUKEBOX ROUTE THAT COVERED THE WATERFRONT BARS IN SAN PEDRO.
24 THAT'S HOW HE STARTED. HE SOLD THE BUSINESS, WENT INTO REAL
25 ESTATE, AS WE ALL KNOW. HE WAS A MEMBER OF OUR LOS ANGELES



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1 MEMORIAL COLISEUM COMMISSION DURING THE 1984 OLYMPICS. HE IS
2 SURVIVED BY HIS SONS, ALEXANDER AND CHARLES; FIVE
3 GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. OKAY?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS ON THAT.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS ON THAT.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I HAVE AN ADJOURNMENT FOR HIM AS WELL.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SANDRA LOUISE
12 HOLT, THE BELOVED WIFE OF BILL HOLT, FORMER LONGTIME CITY
13 MANAGER OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT. ALSO SHE PASSED AWAY ON
14 SATURDAY, APRIL 30 FOLLOWING A COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH CANCER.
15 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 47 YEARS, A GOOD FRIEND,
16 BILL; THREE CHILDREN, HEATHER, HOLLI, ZACHARY; AND TWO
17 GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND
18 FRIENDS AND IT WAS A VALIANT FIGHT. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
19 OF DR. HERALD E. WILKINS, BETTER KNOWN AS HAL, WHO PRACTICED
20 CARDIOLOGY IN DOWNEY FOR 34 YEARS. HE WAS ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
21 OF MEDICINE AT U.S.C., A PAST PRESIDENT OF THE RANCHO LOS
22 AMIGOS ATTENDING STAFF. HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE CALIFORNIA
23 BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS BY GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN, AND ALSO
24 ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES FEDERATION OF STATE
25 BOARDS OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS. HE IS SURVIVED HIS WIFE OF 62



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1 YEARS, EILEEN; HIS CHILDREN, BELINDA, JEFFREY, MARTHA, AND
2 DEREK; NINE GRANDCHILDREN; AND SIX GREAT GRANDCHILDREN; ALONG
3 WITH MANY, MANY FRIENDS, AND I COUNT MYSELF AS ONE, AND
4 COLLEAGUES. HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. ALSO
5 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRANK RIVERA, WHO PASSED AWAY
6 PEACEFULLY IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS FAMILY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF
7 79. HE OWNED AND OPERATED LAKEWOOD CONTRACTING. HE'LL BE
8 MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 58
9 YEARS, DOLORES; THREE CHILDREN, DEBRA, JOHN, PAUL; THREE
10 GRANDCHILDREN; TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN; AND SIX SIBLINGS. ALSO
11 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HELEN MARIE MELTON, LONGTIME
12 RESIDENT OF PARAMOUNT. FOUNDING MEMBER OF OUR FRIENDS OF THE
13 LIBRARY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 27 AT THE AGE OF 95. SHE WAS
14 NAMED 2007 SENIOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR IN OUR DISTRICT. ALSO
15 SERVED AS A COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND WAS RECOGNIZED AS COUNTY
16 COMMISSIONER OF THE YEAR IN 1979. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN MANY
17 ORGANIZATIONS OVER THE YEARS, FROM THE WOMEN'S CLUB TO GIRL
18 SCOUTS TO THE LADY ELKS, TO RANCHO LOS AMIGOS, TO NAME A FEW.
19 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, BARBARA; GRANDDAUGHTER,
20 SHAWNA; AND GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER, ANNA. AND FINALLY THAT WE
21 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MALCOLM FARMER, A FORMER FACULTY MEMBER
22 AT WHITTIER COLLEGE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. HE
23 BEGAN TEACHING AT WHITTIER COLLEGE IN 1957, WHERE HE
24 SPECIALIZED IN ANTHROPOLOGY AS WELL AS SOCIOLOGY. WHILE
25 TEACHING AT WHITTIER, HE MET AND MARRIED HIS WIFE, ANN, AND HE



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1 RETIRED FROM THE COLLEGE IN 1981. HE WAS A WONDERFUL MEMBER OF
2 THE COMMUNITY. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ANN; HIS STEPSON, MARK;
3 AND MANY OTHER BELOVED FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. HE WILL BE
4 TRULY MISSED BY ALL THOSE LIVES HE SO RICHLY TOUCHED. MR.
5 MAYOR, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
8 I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADJOURN WITH ALL MEMBERS FOR ELSIE SOUTHWARD,
9 WHO PASSED AWAY ON MAY 4. THE MOTHER OF OUR DIRECTOR OF LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. ALL MEMBERS, DR.
11 MARVIN SOUTHARD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON, MARVIN; HER THREE
12 OTHER SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER, AS WELL AS TWO SISTERS AND ONE
13 BROTHER. ALL MEMBERS. JUSTICE THOMAS NELSON, SENIOR JUDGE OF
14 THE NINTH U.S. CIRCUIT, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74. HE
15 WORKED FROM 1963 TO '65 AT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE IN
16 IDAHO AND SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE IDAHO STATE BAR, MEMBER
17 OF THE IDAHO SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON APPELLATE RULES THAT
18 WAS APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT GEORGE H.W. BUSH TO THE FEDERAL
19 BENCH IN 1990. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 30 YEARS.
20 GEORGE LUCAS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 26 SURVIVED BY HIS
21 WIFE, HELEN; THEIR DAUGHTER KATHLEEN. GEORGE WAS QUITE ACTIVE
22 IN THE GLENDALE, LA CRESCENT VALLEY AREA. JUDGE PHILIP JONES,
23 A RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, PASSED AWAY
24 AT THE AGE OF 91. HE SERVED TWO TERMS WITH THE SAN FERNANDO
25 CITY COUNCIL MANY YEARS AGO BEFORE BECOMING A JUDGE. SISTER



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1 MARY FERGUSON. MARY WAS A SISTER OF ST. JOSEPHS OF CARONDELET.
2 AND ALSO THE ORDER THAT MY AUNT IS A MEMBER OF. AND ALSO
3 SISTER [SHARON] ANN BREDEN PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 21, ALSO A
4 SISTER OF ST. JOSEPH OF CARONDELET. AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
5 SISTER, DR. MARY CATHERINE BREDEN. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, WHO
6 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87. HE WAS A VETERAN ACTOR WITH
7 MEMORABLE ROLES. HE SPENT MANY YEARS DURING AND AFTER HIS
8 ACTING CAREER WITH THE MOTION PICTURE TELEVISION FUND FOR THE
9 WESTERN, OR IS SHOULD SAY THE GOLDEN BOOT AWARD. MANY TIMES HE
10 WAS THE EMCEE. QUITE INVOLVED WITH THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY
11 AND THE ACTING COMMUNITY AND WITH THE HOSPITAL WHERE HE WAS
12 CHIEF FUNDRAISER FOR THE MOTION PICTURE TELEVISION FUND. TOMAS
13 ALVARADO. HE HAD PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 1. HE SERVED THE
14 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, EARNING TWO PURPLE HEARTS. HE
15 WORKED WITH THE UNITED STATES SENATE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS. TOM
16 SERVED AS DEPUTY SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR GOVERNOR
17 PETE WILSON AS WELL AS SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR
18 GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CHRISTINA, AND
19 THEIR TWO CHILDREN. HENRY SMITH, RETIRED WITH THE LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. JUDY CANNON GARABEDIAN. SHE WAS
21 AN ACCOMPLISHED SINGER, DANCER, ACTRESS AND WAS PRESIDENT OF
22 THE BEL-AIR REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB AS WELL AS ON THE BOARD OF
23 DIRECTORS OF THE U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY FOR EIGHT
24 YEARS. SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, RON, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN.
25 ROMINA MARIA AVERY FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT THE



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1 AGE OF 43. STEVE PALMER, WORLD WAR II VETERAN, PASSED AWAY AT
2 THE AGE OF 88 ON APRIL 29. HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED WITH HELPING
3 SUPPORT VETERANS PROGRAMS IN THE VALLEY. HE WAS A 35-YEAR
4 RESIDENT OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. FRANCIS JOSEPHINE PEHAR.
5 SHE WAS INVOLVED IN THE P.T.A. AND THE GLENDALE SCHOOL
6 DISTRICT AND HAD A CAREER WITH THE GLENDALE COLLEGE FOR 28
7 YEARS, AND QUITE ACTIVE IN THE C.F.U. LODGE AND CROATIAN
8 FEDERATION UNION LODGE AND THE ST. ANTHONY'S CROATIAN CATHOLIC
9 CHURCH. SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND STEPHEN AND THREE CHILDREN AND
10 TWO SISTERS. EDWARD GEORGE HAVENS OF WEST COVINA. HE WORKED IN
11 THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OF THE QUEEN OF THE VALLEY HOSPITAL
12 FOR 41 YEARS. JUDY ANN HEATEN OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. ROBERT
13 JAMES MCGALLIARD WAS A LIFETIME RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY. AND HE
14 WAS QUITE INVOLVED WITH THE EQUESTRIANS. AND HE LEAVES HIS
15 WIFE AND SON AND DAUGHTERS, ALONG WITH HIS FATHER AND SISTERS.
16 AND JACKIE COOPER. SO IT WAS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY, ON ITEM NO. 28,
18 MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED FOR RECONSIDERATION. THIS IS
19 GOING TO BE CONTINUED. BUT WE HAVE FOUR SPEAKERS WE WANT TO BE
20 TWO MINUTES EACH. DAVID HUERTA, HAYDEE CHARVET, LAURA CHAVEZ
21 AND MICHAEL OR MIKE GARCIA. YOU HAVE ONE MORE?

22

23 **DAVID HUERTA:** YES, WE HAVE ONE MORE PERSON COMING RIGHT NOW.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU CAN GO WITH WHATEVER ORDER YOU
2 WANT.

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4 **DAVID HUERTA:** I'M SORRY?

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHATEVER ORDER YOU WANT.

7

8 **DAVID HUERTA:** I'LL BE THE FIRST SPEAKER.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

11

12 **DAVID HUERTA:** MY NAME IS DAVID HUERTA. I AM THE VICE PRESIDENT
13 OF S.E.I.U., UNITED SERVICE WORKERS WEST. WE REPRESENT 15,000
14 PROPERTY SERVICE WORKERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES. WE ARE HONORED
15 THAT OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS UNIONS ARE HERE TODAY TO STAND
16 WITH US AND WE ARE PROUD THAT SO MANY OF OUR COMMUNITIES FROM
17 ACROSS THIS GREAT REGION ARE STANDING WITH US. OUR UNION
18 STANDS FOR THIS. WE BELIEVE ANYONE WHO WORKS HARD SHOULD BE
19 ABLE TO SUPPORT THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR LOVED ONES. AND WE
20 BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY SERVICE BECAUSE
21 OUR WORK MATTERS. WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM WORKERS TODAY WHO
22 WORK ALONGSIDE DOCTORS AND NURSES TO MAKE SURE THERE'S HIGH
23 QUALITY PATIENT CARE IN THE COUNTY HOSPITAL SYSTEM. THEY ARE
24 DEDICATED PEOPLE WHO LOVE THEIR WORK, WHO WORK HARD TO SUPPORT
25 THEIR FAMILIES AND BELIEVE THEIR EMPLOYER, SERVICON, SHARES



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1 THEIR ASPIRATIONS FOR QUALITY SERVICE. WE WORK WITH MANY
2 RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTORS WHO HAVE COME TO SHARE THESE BELIEFS.
3 BUT AS YOU WILL HEAR TODAY, SODEXO DOES NOT SHARE THESE
4 BELIEFS. WE ARE CALLING ON THIS BOARD TO STAND WITH WORKING
5 FAMILIES, NOT CREATE UNEMPLOYMENT, NOT UNDERMINE PATIENT CARE.
6 THIS IS WHAT IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COUNTY. AND WE
7 ARE CALLING ON THIS BOARD TO TURN ITS BACK ON SODEXO, A
8 MULTIBILLION DOLLAR COMPANY WHO PAYS ITS CLEANERS AS LOW AS \$8
9 PER HOUR IN CALIFORNIA. LOS ANGELES IS BETTER THAN THAT. WE
10 URGE YOU AGAIN TO STAND WITH WORKING FAMILIES, NOT BILLION
11 DOLLARS CORPORATIONS, CORPORATE RENEGADES LIKE SODEXO. THANK
12 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE BOARD RULES DON'T ALLOW FOR
15 APPLAUDING. BUT IF YOU WANT TO WAVE YOUR HANDS IN SUPPORT,
16 THAT WILL BE FINE. YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **HAYDEE CHARVET:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS HAYDEE CHARVET. I
19 WORK FOR THE OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER. I'M A HOUSEKEEPER.
20 I'VE BEEN THERE FOR SIX YEARS. I DO MANY CHORES IN THE
21 HOSPITAL. AS YOU CAN SEE RIGHT NOW, I'M WEARING MY SCRUBS AND
22 MY I.D., VERY PROUD TO WEAR AN I.D. OF THE COUNTY, WHICH I'M
23 NOT A COUNTY EMPLOYEE. I'M HERE TODAY TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE
24 PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL AND THEIR FAMILIES DEPENDING ON US.
25 WE HAVE TO KEEP THE HOSPITAL CLEAN AND HELP FIGHT THE SPREAD



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1 OF DISEASE AND INFECTION. THAT'S OUR TASK. FOR EXAMPLE, LIKE
2 TODAY, I WILL BE IN CHARGE OF THE O.R.S AND IN CHARGE OF LABOR
3 AND DELIVERY. AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE MANY DISEASES NOWADAYS AS
4 THERE HAVE BEEN FOREVER. IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CLEAN THE
5 ISOLATION ROOMS. ALSO, WHEN A PATIENT COMES IN WITH A BAD
6 DISEASE OR SOMETHING, WE HAVE TO GO IN THERE, TAKE OUR TIME,
7 DISINFECT AND CLEAN THOROUGHLY FOR THE NEXT PATIENT TO COME
8 IN. THAT PATIENT COULD BE YOU, COULD BE ME, COULD BE MY FAMILY
9 MEMBER OR SOMEONE THAT YOU KNOW OR I KNOW. I DON'T THINK THAT
10 IT WILL BE CORRECT FOR ME NOT TO TAKE MY TIME AND DO MY JOB
11 CORRECTLY AS WELL AS I CAN AND HAVE THE NEXT PERSON COME IN
12 AND CATCH WHATEVER THE FIRST PATIENT HAD BECAUSE I WAS NOT
13 ABLE TO DO MY JOB. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE OF THE THINGS I DO IS
14 CLEAN WALLS, DISINFECT THOROUGHLY THE BEDS, BE SURE THAT THERE
15 IS NO BLOOD, NO URINE OR ANY OTHER BODILY FLUIDS. CLEAN
16 THOROUGHLY THE BATHROOM AND EVERY OTHER THING THAT'S IN THE
17 ROOM OR IN THE O.R. FOR THE NEXT PATIENT TO COME IN. WE
18 UNDERSTAND THAT THE SODEXO PLAN IS TO CUT STAFF AT THE
19 HOSPITAL WHERE WE ARE WORKING RIGHT NOW AT OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL
20 CENTER, 30 PERCENT. I DON'T THINK THAT IS APPROPRIATE BECAUSE
21 AS YOU KNOW, THE INFLATION NOWADAYS, A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE NO
22 JOBS, THEY HAVE NO INSURANCE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU WANT TO CLOSE? MAKE YOUR
25 CLOSING?



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2 **HAYDEE CHARVET:** YES. AND IT IS ALREADY DIFFICULT TO DO OUR
3 JOBS PROPERLY WITH THE STAFF THAT WE HAVE. THAT WILL HAPPEN
4 WHEN YOU CUT THAT MUCH STAFF. WE WANT TO DO THE BEST JOB WE
5 CAN. BUT WITH THOSE KINDS OF STAFF CUTS, I WORRY THAT IT WILL
6 HAPPEN.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **HAYDEE CHARVET:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP CORAL CORTES I
13 GUESS IS GOING TO REPLACE LAURA CHAVEZ. YES, SIR.

14

15 **INTERPRETER:** SHE'S ON HER WAY IN RIGHT NOW. OKAY, GOOD.

16

17 **CORAL CORTES:** (SPANISH).

18

19 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CORRAL CORTES. WE THE
20 WORKERS WHO CLEAN THE HOSPITALS IN THE COUNTY, WE HAVE WORKED
21 HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE JOBS ARE DECENT JOBS THAT MOVE
22 OUR FAMILIES FORWARD. THE JANITORS IN LOS ANGELES HAVE FOUGHT
23 HARD TO MAKE PROGRESS AND THEY'VE MADE PROGRESS. AND TO TAKE
24 STEPS BACKWARDS WOULD MEAN THAT OUR FAMILIES -- AND THAT WOULD
25 MEAN THAT WE DON'T TAKE STEPS BACKWARDS AND LESS TIME WITH OUR



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1 FAMILIES AND CHILDREN AND MEAN WE WOULD HAVE LESS HOPE BY
2 BEING ABLE TO MAKE SAVINGS OR SOMETHING BETTER. ME, LIKE A
3 SINGLE MOTHER OF THREE CHILDREN, AND IF YOU WERE TO CUT MY
4 BENEFITS UP TO THIS DATE THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACHIEVE, IT
5 WOULD AFFECT ME. IT MEANS LESS TIME WITH MY FAMILY, WITH MY
6 CHILDREN. AND MEANING THAT I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE GOOD
7 CARE OF THEM. I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PAY MY BILLS OR PAY MY
8 RENT. AND WE ASK YOU AND WE HOPE AND WE BEG THAT YOU DO NOT
9 ACCEPT THIS COMPANY, SODEXO, AS OUR CONTRACTOR. THANK YOU.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **MIKE GARCIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MIKE GARCIA. I'M THE
13 PROUD PRESIDENT OF S.E.I.U. UNITED SERVICE WORKERS WEST. WE'RE
14 HERE THIS AFTERNOON TO SAY TO YOU ALL, THIS IS A TIME FOR
15 LEADERSHIP, NOT DELAY. WE ANGELINOS, LIKE THE REST OF THE
16 COUNTRY, ARE STRUGGLING TO LIFT OURSELVES, OUR FAMILIES FROM
17 THIS HORRIBLE GREAT RECESSION THAT AFFLICTS US ALL. OUR
18 ECONOMY CRASHED, SIMPLY PUT, WHEN A FEW BECAME EXTREMELY RICH
19 AT THE EXPENSE OF THE REST OF US, THE MIDDLE CLASS AND WORKING
20 FAMILIES. TWO BUSINESSES AND TOO MANY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
21 DESTROYED GOOD JOBS OFTEN BY IRRESPONSIBLY CONTRACTING OUT
22 WORK, CREATING POVERTY, FRAYING THE FABRIC OF OUR COMMUNITIES
23 AND DESTROYING THE AMERICAN DREAM. AND MORE AND MORE AMERICANS
24 ARE STANDING UP AND SAYING: WE ARE BETTER THAN THAT. RECENTLY
25 WHEN WISCONSIN GOVERNOR SCOTT WALKER TRIED TO DESTROY THE



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1 UNION THAT HAD LIFTED STATE WORKERS INTO THE MIDDLE CLASS, THE
2 COUNTRY BECAME RIVETED WITH THE RIGHT WITH THE FIGHT IN
3 WISCONSIN AND WHAT IT REPRESENTED. WORKING PEOPLE STOOD AS
4 ONE. AND MANY ELECTED LEADERS STOOD WITH WORKING FAMILIES.
5 L.A. COUNTY IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN
6 AMERICA. THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTING SYSTEM IS BROKEN AND DOESN'T
7 WORK FOR THE WORKERS, IT DOESN'T WORK FOR THE COUNTY, IT
8 DOESN'T WORK FOR ANYONE. WORKING PEOPLE STOOD AS ONE, AND MANY
9 ELECTED LEADERS STOOD WITH WORKING FAMILIES. AS YOU CAN SEE
10 TODAY, THIS REGION IS BECOMING RIVETED WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING
11 HERE. IT'S DESTROYING GOOD JOBS, REPLACING THEM WITH POVERTY
12 JOBS. IT'S UNDERMINED GOOD BUSINESSES THAT PLAY BY THE RULES
13 RESPONSIBLY AND REWARDING CORPORATE RENEGADES, SUCH AS SODEXO.
14 THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS STILL CONSIDERING
15 AWARDED TWO HOSPITAL CONTRACTS TO THIS CORPORATE RENEGADE, A
16 MULTIBILLION DOLLAR COMPANY WITH A HISTORY OF HEALTH
17 VIOLATIONS AND QUESTIONABLE BILLING PRACTICES. AND ONCE IN,
18 SODEXO HAS VOWED TO THROW OUT NEARLY 30 PERCENT OF ITS WORKERS
19 OUT ON THE STREETS AND THROW OUT THE UNION, WHICH IS THESE
20 WORKERS' ONLY VOICE TO FIGHT BACK TO WIN A BETTER LIFE AND A
21 BETTER DEAL, CREATING STILL MORE UNEMPLOYMENT, RELEGATING
22 FAMILIES TO POVERTY AND WEAKENING AN ALREADY WEAK ECONOMIC
23 RECOVERY. MY FRIENDS, L.A. IS BETTER THAN THAT. WE ARE NOT
24 WISCONSIN. WE HAVE A STRONG WORKERS' MOVEMENT IN THIS COUNTY.
25 WE HAVE STRUGGLED HARD TO CREATE A BETTER LIFE FOR WORKERS IN



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1 THIS COUNTY WITH THE HELP OF MANY OF YOU IN THIS ROOM. WE CALL
2 ON THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO STAND WITH WORKING
3 FAMILIES AND TURN OUR BACK ON CORPORATE RENEGADES LIKE SODEXO.
4 AND IT IS TIME TO REFORM L.A. COUNTY'S ARCHAIC AND BROKEN
5 CONTRACTING SYSTEM. IT'S UNDERMINING HARD WORKING FAMILIES.
6 IT'S HURTING GOOD RESPONSIBLE BUSINESSES. IF YOU CANNOT
7 CONTRACT OUT RESPONSIBLY, YOU SHOULD NOT CONTRACT OUT AGAIN.
8 IT IS TIME FOR LEADERSHIP, NOT DELAY. WE ARE NOT A SPECIAL
9 INTEREST. THESE ARE WORKERS THAT ARE FIGHTING BACK IN TODAY'S
10 TOUGH ECONOMY AND TOUGH TIMES TO SURVIVE AND FORGE A BETTER
11 LIFE FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] (CHANTING).
14 (CHANTING CONTINUES) (CHANTING CONTINUES). (CHANTING
15 CONTINUES). [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU HAD PASSED, GLORIA? MARK, HAD YOU
18 PASSED? OKAY. ZEV, HAVE YOU PASSED?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT PEOPLE. [OFF MIC] ALL
21 RIGHT. I THINK MR. SACHS HAS ASKED TO SPEAK ON 1-D, 2-D, 1-H,
22 2-H, NO. 4, NO. 21, 26, 41, 43, 76, 79. I WOULD ASK HIM TO
23 COME FORWARD. LET'S GO, MR. SACHS. LET'S START THE CLOCK. MR.
24 SACHS? PLEASE COMPORT WITH THE DECORUM RULES OF THE BOARD.

25



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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YEAH, I KNOW.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND START HIS CLOCK NOW.

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHAT WAS THE FIRST ONE, SACHI? 1-D. 1-D? I
6 DIDN'T HOLD 1-D. I HELD 1-H. OKAY. 1-H. MY CONCERN ABOUT 1-D
7 AND 1-H IS THE POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS. ESPECIALLY THE FACT
8 THAT THE COUNTY OWES \$21 BILLION TO COVER HEALTHCARE FOR
9 RETIRED COUNTY EMPLOYEES. I'M WONDERING WHAT STANCE YOU'RE
10 GOING TO TAKE ON THAT. I HELD 2-D AND 2-A. 2-D IS, YOU HAVE
11 \$72,000 FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL AUDIT
12 SERVICES. EXCUSE ME. AND 2-D IS \$103,000 TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL
13 AUDIT SERVICES FOR THE C.D.C. AND THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND 2-
14 H IS TO PROVIDE \$72,000 FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR
15 FINANCIAL AUDIT SERVICES. SO I WAS WONDERING JUST HOW MUCH
16 MONEY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IS GETTING FOR FINANCIAL AUDIT
17 SERVICES. ITEM NO. 4, I HELD. THIS SAYS IT ALL. IT'S AN
18 EDITORIAL FROM MARCH 27, 2011. FIRST AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND
19 THAT BEING SAID, DON'T THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AUTHORIZE
20 PROJECTS OR ARE INVOLVED IN AUTHORIZING PROJECTS? YOU WANT
21 ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE REDEVELOPMENT LAWS, AND ISN'T THE
22 GOVERNOR CONSIDERING ELIMINATING THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES?
23 SO YOU'RE STRENGTHENING THE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR LAWS THAT THE
24 GOVERNOR'S GOING TO CUT OUT THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY IS
25 LEADING FROM BEHIND. ITEM 16? 21. BONUS PROVISIONS. THERE WAS



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1 A STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES REGARDING BONUSES -- BOGUS BONUSES,
2 WHERE PEOPLE WERE GETTING -- PERSONNEL IN THE CITY WERE
3 GETTING BONUSES FOR GETTING CERTIFICATION JUST TO BECOME AN
4 OFFICER OR JUST TO BECOME A FIRE DEPARTMENT -- A FIREMAN. SO I
5 WAS WONDERING: ANYTHING INVOLVED WITH THAT? I KNOW THAT UNLIKE
6 THE OLD SAYING WHERE THE NUTS DON'T FALL FAR FROM THE TREE
7 BECAUSE THIS COUNTY DOESN'T DO ANYTHING LIKE THIS CITY, I WAS
8 WONDERING IF THAT SHOULD BE ANY CONCERN HERE. NEXT ITEM,
9 SACHI? 26. OH. I HELD THIS ONE. IF YOU WANT TO AMEND THE
10 REDEVELOPMENT LAWS, MAYBE YOU SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT
11 AMENDING CONTRACTS WITH NONPROFITS WHERE THE FOR PROFITS END
12 UP TAKING ALL THE MONEY OUT OF THE CONTRACTS TO RUN THE
13 NONPROFIT THAT THEY END UP STARTING UP. THERE IS NO OVERSIGHT
14 THERE WITH WHAT THE FOR PROFITS CAN MAKE AS FAR AS SALARIES TO
15 OPERATE A NONPROFIT. NEXT? 41. THIS WAS SOMETHING ADOPTED BY
16 THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. AND SO I WAS
17 JUST WONDERING, THAT WOULDN'T FALL UNDER THE PURVIEW OF YOUR
18 MOTION YOU MADE IN METRO, MS. MOLINA, REGARDING THE PASADENA
19 METRO BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY AND THE EXPOSITION
20 METRO LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY? AND ALSO THE OTHER ONE YOU
21 MADE THAT -- A POLICY ENSURING THAT FUNDS TO COVER ANY COST
22 OVERRUNS OR ADJUSTMENTS RESULTING FROM ACTIVITIES OF ANY
23 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY OR ALLOCATED FROM SOURCES ALLOCATED TO
24 PROJECTS LOCATED WITHIN THE SAME SUB-REGION. THIS ALAMEDA
25 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, EAST CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, WOULDN'T



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1 BE AFFECTED BY EITHER ONE OF THESE MOTIONS NOW, WOULD IT? I
2 HELD THE NEXT ITEM WAS 43? JUST BASED ON THE COST. PALOS
3 VERDES PENINSULA TRANSIT AUTHORITY IS GETTING \$784,000 FOR A
4 YEAR. IT COMES TO \$65,000 A MONTH. AND SANTA CLARITA'S GETTING
5 \$183,000 A MONTH JOINTLY FINANCED TO RUN THESE TWO OPERATIONS.
6 AND I KNOW JUST FROM MY OWN PERSONAL -- GOING TO M.T.A., HOW
7 WELL M.T.A. RUNS THEIR FINANCIAL PROGRAMS. IT JUST SEEMS A
8 LITTLE RICH THAT BOTH THOSE TWO TRANSIT AUTHORITIES SHOULD BE
9 GETTING SO MUCH MONEY BUT NOT OFFERING SERVICES 24 HOURS A
10 DAY. SACHI, ANYTHING LEFT? YEAH, I'M OUT OF TIME. I GUESS I'M
11 OUT OF TIME. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, FOR BEING SUCH
12 A CLOCK WATCHER.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTIONED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. GENEVIEVE ON S-1? ALSO ARNOLD
16 AND ANTONIA, AND 1.

17

18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD MORNING.

21

22 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE
23 CLAVREUL. ON S-1, I'M KIND OF CONCERNED TO SEE THE ADMISSION
24 TO THE BURN UNIT OF DECREASING EVERY MONTH. AND I THINK IT'S
25 BECAUSE WE NEED TO DO A LITTLE MORE MARKETING ABOUT THAT UNIT.



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1 YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE A FANTASTIC FANTASTIC STATE OF THE ART UNIT
2 AT U.S.C., THE BURN CENTER. AND THIS UNIT HAS NEVER BEEN DOING
3 WELL, AND NOW IS EVEN DECREASING IT MUCH FARTHER. SO THAT'S A
4 GREAT CONCERN TO ME. THANK YOU. OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** M-1, GENEVIEVE, TOO?

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8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ITEM 1 YOU SAID? NO. N-1 ALSO?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

11

12 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OKAY, ON ITEM 1, IT'S AGAIN ABOUT THE
13 H.I.V. COMMISSION. YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT HAVING PEOPLE WHO
14 ARE ONLY H.I.V.-POSITIVE OR WHO PROVIDE SERVICES TO H.I.V.
15 CORPORATION TO BE ON THE H.I.V. COMMISSION. THAT'S TOTALLY
16 INACCEPTABLE AND DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA OF O.S.H.A. I'M
17 SORRY OF I.H.R.S.A. YOU KNOW RICHARD MCGEE DIED A COUPLE OF
18 WEEKS AGO. AND IT WILL BE TERRIBLE NOT TO BRING TO THE
19 ATTENTION -- YOU COULD TRY TO DO A LITTLE MORE THAN JUST
20 LISTEN TO ME EVERY TIME YOU NOMINATED SOMEBODY TO THE H.I.V.
21 COMMISSION WHO ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE ACCORDING TO I.H.R.S.A. THE
22 FIRST TIME I TALKED TO RICH MCGEE WAS ABOUT THE H.I.V.
23 COMMISSION, THE DAY OF CHRISTMAS 2001. AND YOU KNOW, HE HAD
24 THE SAME OBJECTION. WE COULD NOT GET THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENT.
25 AND YOU, SUPERVISORS, ARE NOT WILLING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.



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1 SO I THINK I'M GOING TO REALLY, IN HONOR OF RICHARD MAGEE, TO
2 REALLY FIGHT ON THIS ONE BECAUSE IT'S FROM 2001. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ANTONIA?

5

6 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. LIFE IS GOOD. I AM
7 FERVENTLY OPPOSE TO ANY CURRENT TRANSITION TO THE SO-CALLED
8 NEW LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER, BECAUSE IF TRUTH BE
9 TOLD, YOU HAVE THE SAME BOTTOM LINE DENOMINATOR PROBLEMS. AND
10 THEY BEING THE SAME LAZY, SLOTHFUL, INCOMPETENT, INEFFICIENT
11 AND UNETHICAL EMPLOYEES. YOU CAN'T CHANGE THEM. WHY? BECAUSE
12 IT'S IN THEIR BLOOD. WHAT WE NEED IS TO FIRE ALL OF THE SO-
13 CALLED HEALTH PROVIDERS, THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT AND ALL THE
14 ILLEGAL CRIMINAL ALIENS AS WELL AS HOUSEKEEPING, HENCE FIRST
15 AND FOREMOST, HIRE MILITARY VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR
16 ALL THESE VIABLE POSITIONS. THEN START IMMEDIATELY BY HELPING
17 ERADICATE SCABIES, M.R.S.A., ALL STRAINS OF STAPH INFECTIONS
18 AND OTHER DEADLY CONTAGIOUS DISEASES IN THE COUNTY, HOSPITALS.
19 MOREOVER MOST OF THESE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES WERE BROUGHT IN BY
20 THE CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS. CONVERSELY, WHILE MANY EMERGENCY
21 ROOMS ARE BEING CLOSED BECAUSE OF CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS AND
22 MALICIOUS WICKED GANG BANGERS ABUSE AND VIOLATE THE COUNTY
23 SERVICES, WE AS A COUNTY AND COUNTRY CANNOT AFFORD TO PROVIDE
24 THESE HUMANITARIAN SERVICES WITHOUT SEVERELY HAMPERING THE
25 HEALTH AND WELFARE AND SAFETY OF ALL OUR U.S. MILITARY



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1 VETERANS AND PILOTS AND ALL LAW-ABIDING AMERICAN CITIZENS,
2 WHICH YOU HAVE SEVERELY COMPROMISED, THUS NO AMNESTY, NO
3 ASYLUM, DEPORT ALL CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS AND THEIR UMBILICAL
4 CORD BY-PRODUCTS, FOR THEY PLAY STUPID AND THEY HAVE NOT
5 PROVIDED ADEQUATE CARE IN THE HOSPITALS NOR HAVE THEY PROVIDED
6 PROPER HYGIENE AND THEY DO CUT CORNERS LEFT AND RIGHT AND ALL
7 AROUND. THAT'S WHY WE NOW HAVE AN EPIDEMIC OF M.R.S.A. AND
8 STAPH INSPECTIONS AND SCABIES. WHY? BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT DOING
9 THEIR JOB. AND AS YOU CAN TELL, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WITH YOUR
10 SOUR LOOK, THESE PEOPLE DON'T CARE TO WORK. WE KNOW THAT IF
11 MEXICO AND LATIN AMERICA IS AN INDICATOR AND EAST L.A. IS AN
12 INDICATOR OF WHAT THESE PEOPLE ARE LIKE AND LIVE LIKE, GOD
13 ALMIGHTY YOU'RE PUTTING US IN THEIR HANDS? GIVE ME A FRICKING
14 BREAK. PUT BLEACH AND CHASE THEM OUT OF HERE. THANK YOU VERY
15 MUCH. YEAH, MARK, IT'S ME. I'M BACK. YOU'RE A FREE LOADER.
16 (AUDIENCE BOOING).

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT WAS S-1 AND 1. OKAY, ARNOLD,
19 YOU'RE ON.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. S-1? THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME HAVE
22 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. I JUST WANTED TO POINT
23 OUT THAT AT THE LAST M.T.A. BOARD MEETING WHEN S-1 APPEARED ON
24 THE AGENDA, I WASN'T GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK EVEN
25 THOUGH I PUT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD IN. AND IT'S THE FACT THAT



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1 IT'S LISTED ON THE AGENDA AS AN ITEM OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT, I
2 SHOULD BE GETTING THE SAME OPPORTUNITY. I'D LIKE THE COUNTY
3 COUNSEL TO CHECK INTO THE VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT THERE.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ON S-1 AND 1, MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM
7 NO. -- GENEVIEVE, ITEM NO. 2?

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9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
10 ON ITEM NO. 2, I WANT TO KNOW WHY WE ARE DOING SUCH LARGESSE
11 AND GIVING \$1500 TO LAS MEMORIAS WALL WHEN THERE IS ABSOLUTELY
12 NO AVAILABLE DOCUMENT TO SAY WHY WE ARE GIVING THEM \$1500.
13 ESPECIALLY SOMEBODY WHO IN THE PAST HAVE NOT SHOWN A LOT OF
14 WORK FOR THE AMOUNT THEY HAVE RECEIVED. SO I WOULD LIKE VERY
15 MUCH THAT SOMEONE SEND TO ME IN WRITING WHY WE ARE GIVING
16 \$1500 OF TAXPAYER MONEY TO SOMEBODY WHO HAS NOT BEEN
17 PERFORMING. AND I THINK AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, WE HAVE THE
18 RIGHT TO KNOW. I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT WHAT HAPPENED A FEW
19 MINUTES AGO WITH THE BEHAVIOR OF THE S.E.I.U AND THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS ALLOWED TO HAPPEN IS A VERY SAD DAY IN AMERICA. IT
21 IS A VERY SAD DAY. WHEN THE UNIONS ARE ALLOWED MORE PRIVILEGE
22 THAN THE PUBLIC. THE BEHAVIORS THEY SHOWED WAS APPALLING. AND
23 NONE OF YOU DID ANYTHING ABOUT IT. MAYBE BECAUSE THEY
24 CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR CAMPAIGN. THAT'S VERY, VERY SAD AND I AM
25 VERY DISAPPOINTED. ANYWAY, I HAVE A COUPLE OF ARTICLES THAT



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1 MIGHT TEACH YOU WHAT MORAL COURAGE IS ALL ABOUT. ACTUALLY, MY
2 LAST ARTICLE WAS MORAL COURAGE. AND MAYBE IT WILL TAKE MORAL
3 COURAGE TO STAND UP TO THEM. AND THE ONE WAS ALSO ONE OF MY
4 ARTICLES TO THE BOSTON GLOBE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
7 MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WITH SUPERVISORS
8 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MYSELF ABSTAINING. SO ORDERED. ITEM NO.
9 16, ARNOLD SACHS AND ANTONIA RAMIREZ. AND ALSO ITEM NO. 80
10 WITH ARNOLD SACHS. SO 16 AND 80?

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM NO. 16 IS REGARDING EXTENDING A SUNSET
13 REVIEW DATE FOR A SAFETY COMMISSION. WHY TAKE ANY ACTION? AN
14 ORDINANCE. WHY INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE? GO METRO, YOU KNOW. YOU
15 CHANGE THE SUNSET REVIEW DATE, YOU CHANGE THE SUNSET DATE
16 REGARDING A STATE LAW BY AMENDING? NO. IT WASN'T AMENDING. BUT
17 BY MAKING A MOTION TO A STATE LAW. BY NO CONSTITUTIONAL ACTION
18 THAT IS LEGAL, YOU CHANGE THE STATE LAW SUNSET DATE FOR A
19 PASSED PIECE OF LEGISLATION IN THE STATE LEGISLATION. YOU
20 MANAGED WHILE SITTING ON THE METRO BOARD TO ADOPT A CHANGE TO
21 THAT LEGISLATION.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARNOLD, THIS IS A COUNTY COMMITTEE.
24 WAIT, WAIT, WAIT. WAIT A MINUTE. THIS IS A COUNTY COMMITTEE



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1 THAT IS REPRESENTED BY COUNTY APPOINTEES. IT'S NOT A STATE
2 COMMITTEE THAT WE ARE AMENDING A STATE LEGISLATION.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AND MY POINT BEING, SIR, IS THAT IF YOU CAN DO
5 ONE TO THE STATE JUST LIKE YOU HAVE PRECEDENTS FOR LAWS, THEN
6 YOU COULD DO THE SAME THING FOR THE COUNTY. ALL YOU NEED IS A
7 PRECEDENT SET. THE LAST ITEM YOU WANTED WAS ITEM 60?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 80. EIGHT-OH.

10

11 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THAT WAS A GOOD ONE. LIFE IS GOOD. GOD DANG,
12 LIFE IS GOOD. I AM FOR THIS AGENDA, WITH OTHER SAFEGUARDS IN
13 PLACE FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION FOR
14 THE FOLLOWING REASONS: THERE ARE DANGEROUSLY SECRET CRIMINAL
15 ILLEGAL ALIENS AND GANG BANGERS LURKING ABOUT WITHIN OUR CITY
16 AND COUNTY HIGHWAYS. THEY KNOW THESE HIGHWAYS LIKE THE PALM OF
17 THEIR HANDS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WAIT A MINUTE.

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21 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** AND THEIR SOLE MISSION --

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SPEAK ON THE MOTION. THIS HAS NOTHING
24 TO DO WITH THAT.

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1 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** IT HAS ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE
2 SAFETY OF THE COMMISSION AND HOW THEY IMPLEMENT IT,
3 ABSOLUTELY, MAYOR. WITHOUT A DOUBT. AND I DID MY HOMEWORK.

4
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT STOP
6 SIGNS, BOULEVARD STOPS, AND ROADS.

7
8 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** AND THAT INCLUDES PART OF THE STOP SIGNS.
9 WITH THAT YOU HAVE THE SECRET AND THE PROBLEMS LURKING AGAIN
10 WITH THE DANGERS CREATED BY THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT
11 FOLLOW THE STOP SIGNS, WHO DO NOT FOLLOW THE RULES AND
12 REGULATIONS OF THE HIGHWAYS. CAN I GO AHEAD AND READ MY --
13 PLEASE?

14
15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** READ YOUR STATEMENT, READ YOUR
16 STATEMENT.

17
18 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** OKAY. I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE TO BE PARTIAL, BUT
19 I HAVE TO BE IMPARTIAL. THERE ARE DANGEROUSLY SECRET CRIMINAL
20 ILLEGAL ALIENS AND GANG BANGERS LURKING WITHIN OUR CITY AND
21 COUNTY HIGHWAYS. THEY KNOW THESE HIGHWAYS LIKE THE PALM OF
22 THEIR HANDS AND THEIR SOLE MISSION IS TO DESTROY AMERICA. SO
23 HOW DO THEY IMPLEMENT THESE INSANE AND TWISTED, NOT TO MENTION
24 WICKED AND DIABOLICAL SCHEMES? THERE ARE TWO DEADLY GROUPS,
25 THE CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS AND THE GANG BANGERS. THEY WILL



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1 SEVERELY CRIPPLE AMERICA'S HIGHWAYS BEGINNING IN EAST L.A.
2 WHY? BECAUSE THEY HAVE INFILTRATED ALL THE FREIGHT FORWARDING
3 BUSINESSES AND ARE EMPLOYED IN SHIPPING, RECEIVING AND DRIVERS
4 FOR JUST A FEW OF THESE UNETHICAL BUSINESSES. AND THEY SHOULD
5 BE SANCTIONED FOR EMPLOYING THESE ILLEGALS. BY THE WAY, WE
6 TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN DOING THE JOB OF THE F.B.I., WHO IS IN
7 BED WITH THE CRIMINAL INTERNATIONAL EMPIRE. THE PARTIAL LIST
8 OF UNAMERICAN FREIGHT FORWARDING BUSINESSES ARE MADISON,
9 EVERGREEN, MAERSK, ZIM, COSTCO, J.B. HUNT. A.P.L., HONGENE,
10 KNOLL, ET CETERA. AND LASTLY MY QUESTION TO THESE FREIGHT
11 FORWARDING COMPANIES AND THE SAFETY COMMISSION IS: WHY DON'T
12 YOU FIRST AND FOREMOST HIRE U.S. MILITARY VETERANS? THEY ARE
13 OUR BRAVE WARRIORS WHO STOOD FOR HONOR, COUNTRY, DIGNITY, AND
14 DUTY. HENCE, LASTLY, AGAIN, HIRE MORE HOT MAMA CHOPPER PILOTS
15 AND ASK THAT THE POLICE AND SHERIFFS AND EMERGENCY CREW
16 CHOPPER PILOTS BE ACKNOWLEDGED AND REWARDED.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** AND GIVEN THE RIGHTFUL PLACE IN THE COUNTY SO
21 WE CAN ALL FOLLOW THE STOP SIGNS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO MOVED. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
24 KNABE. 16 AND 80 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 33, ARNOLD AND



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1 JOHN WALSH. 33? JOHN WALSH? LET ME ALSO CALL UP EDDIE JONES
2 FOR 34 WITH ARNOLD.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I HELD ITEM 33 JUST BECAUSE THIS SEEMS TO BE
5 ALMOST A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT. WHO ELSE WOULD BE ABLE TO
6 CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE SERVICE FOR THE INTEGRATED SYSTEM
7 OTHER THAN SIERRA SYSTEMS? DOES THIS EVER GO OUT FOR A REQUEST
8 FOR PROPOSALS? BECAUSE IF IT DOESN'T, DOES IT MAKE SENSE TO
9 EVEN BE CONCERNED? I MEAN THIS IS UP TO A \$31 MILLION -- NOW
10 IT'S UP TO A \$31 MILLION CONTRACT. THERE'S A REAL PROBLEM WITH
11 HAVING THIS SOLE SOURCE, THEY CAN JUST TURN AROUND AND KEEP
12 RAISING THE COST FOR THIS MAINTENANCE. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 34?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** DO YOU WANT ME TO DO 34, TOO?

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I HELD THIS FOR TWO REASONS. A, MONEY GOING TO
21 TARZANA TREATMENT CENTER. I BELIEVE THEY MADE THE HEADLINES
22 REGARDING THE FOR PROFIT GROUP THAT WAS RUNNING THE TARZANA
23 TREATMENT CENTER AND THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION THEY WERE
24 PAYING THEIR DIRECTORS TO BE INVOLVED IN THE OPERATIONS OF THE
25 NONPROFIT CENTER. SO HOW THEY CAN END UP GETTING MORE MONEY



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1 JUST -- I MEAN, WHAT SAFEGUARDS DO YOU HAVE REGARDING THAT
2 OPERATION? AND THE OTHER REASON I HELD THIS, THERE'S A PROBLEM
3 WITH SOME OF THE GRANTS FROM THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE
4 THAT IT LEADS TO A DISPROPORTIONATE ARREST FOR MINORITY
5 GROUPS. A LOT OF RACIAL PROFILING. AND THE FACT THAT MORE
6 MONEY SHOULD BE -- THERE SHOULD BE AN INVESTIGATION INTO WHY
7 THERE'S SO MUCH RACIAL PROFILING AND THE TANTAMOUNT EFFECTS TO
8 THE LOW INCOME MINORITIES AND GROUPS THAT SEEM TO SUFFER AT A
9 DISPROPORTIONATE RATE THAN ANY OTHER GROUP WHEN IT COMES TO
10 BEING ARRESTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THIS EDWARD BYRNE
11 MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTED GRANT FUNDING.

12
13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. WALSH?

14
15 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
16 100,000 SUCCESSFUL SERVER REQUESTS PER WEEK. PER MONTH, EXCUSE
17 ME. 1.2 PER YEAR. FIRST OF ALL, FIRST THING, POINT OF ORDER.
18 GENTLEMAN'S BEEN COMING UP HERE UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ABOUT
19 A YEAR SAYING THE WORLD IS GOING TO END ON MAY 21. SO WE'VE
20 GOT 10 MORE DAYS BEFORE THE WORLD ENDS, OKAY? AND THEY'RE ALL
21 OVER HOLLYWOOD. THEY'RE ALL OVER AMERICA TALKING ABOUT THIS.

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JOHN, THERE WAS ANOTHER ONE THAT WAS
24 FOR MAY 7 OR MAY 10. WAS IT MAY 10? SO WE GOT TWO CONFLICTS.
25 [LAUGHTER.]



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2 **JOHN WALSH:** WELL LET'S JUST KEEP OUR FINGERS CROSSED, OKAY?

3 I'D LIKE TO SAY, FIRST OF ALL, WHAT A FANTASTIC JOB MR.

4 FUJIOKA IS DOING. WE SHOULD ALL BE PROUD OF YOU. I MEAN, YOUR

5 ATTITUDE OVER HERE IS SO MUCH DIFFERENT THAN IT IS AT CITY

6 COUNCIL. THESE PEOPLE WERE UP HERE, THESE UNION PEOPLE, THEY

7 WOULD HAVE HAD THEIR HEADS CRUSHED OVER AT CITY COUNCIL. IT

8 WOULD HAVE BEEN OUT OF CONTROL BECAUSE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

9 OSCAR GARCETTI IS A FASCIST. AND WE HAVE NOW A RIGHT WING

10 CONSERVATIVE WHO IS A LIBERAL, MIKE ANTONOVICH. YOU KNOW HOW

11 TO DEAL WITH PEOPLE. [LAUGHTER.] I'M SORRY, IT'S TRUE. IT'S

12 TRUE. GOD HELP ME, MY ENEMIES I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT. IT'S MY

13 FRIENDS THAT STAB ME IN THE BACK. YOU'RE DOING A FANTASTIC JOB

14 AND I JUST WANT TO QUOTE, I WANT TO QUOTE WHAT JIM NEWTON SAID

15 IN THE L.A. TIMES YESTERDAY. HE CALLED SUPERVISOR GLORIA

16 MOLINA BULLY IN CHARGE. AND I'VE KNOWN HER FOR MANY YEARS, AND

17 IT IS AN APT QUOTATION. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE BULLIED. AND IF

18 THEY GET RID OF YOU, I'LL GIVE YOU A LAWYER AND THEN YOU'LL

19 OWN THIS BUILDING. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 33 MOTION BY MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS,

22 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 34, MR. JONES?

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24 **EDDIE JONES:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND TO THE COUNTY

25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ON 34. I HAVE A CONCERN. WHEN A LOT OF



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1 AFRICAN-AMERICAN YOUNG MALES AND FEMALES AND LATINO YOUNG
2 MALES AND IF HE MALES ARE ARRESTED FOR SMALL PORTIONS OF
3 MARIJUANA AND THEN IT GOES ON THEIR RECORD AND THEN WHEN THEY
4 GO TO GET A JOB OR TRY TO REHABILITATE THEMSELVES OR
5 REVITALIZE OR REJUVENATE THEMSELVES IN SOCIETY, IT STICKS WITH
6 THEM ON THEIR RECORD FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. IF SOMEONE
7 IS ARRESTED FOR A SMALL AMOUNT OF MARIJUANA, I UNDERSTAND THAT
8 THE JOB HAS TO BE DONE, THAT THE LAW MUST STAND; BUT TO FOLLOW
9 THEM FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES WHEN THEY GO TO APPLY FOR A
10 JOB OR GET BACK INTO SOCIETY AND TRY TO DO THE RIGHT THINGS
11 AND THIS FOLLOWS THEM ALL THE WAY TO THE END OF THEIR LIFE AND
12 THEY CAN NEVER GET A GOOD, DECENT, WHOLESOME JOB, I THINK
13 THAT'S SOMETHING TO BE ANALYZED AND EVALUATED AND CONSIDERED.
14 BECAUSE THE PERSON THAT'S CAUGHT WITH MARIJUANA IS NOT A
15 PERSON CAUGHT WITH MURDER OR A FELONY. IT'S A PERSON THAT'S
16 CAUGHT WITH MARIJUANA. YES, YOU MUST UPHOLD THE LAW, BUT
17 SHOULD IT BE OVER THEIR HEAD FOR THE REST OF THEIR YOUNG
18 LIVES? AND THIS IS OUR SOCIETY FOR TOMORROW. AND IF WE SCAR
19 THEM NOW WITH ALL THESE THINGS THAT WE HOLD OVER THEIR HEAD IN
20 OUR SYSTEM, HOW DO WE GET THEM RE-EVALUATED, REVITALIZED AND
21 REJUVENATED TO GO OUT THERE AND BE A PART OF THE WORKFORCE AND
22 BE A CITIZEN AND WORK IN THE COUNTY AND DO WHAT EVERY AMERICAN
23 PERSON WANTS TO DO, AND THAT'S HAVE A NICE WHOLESOME AND GOOD
24 LIFE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MOTIONED BY 34, SUPERVISOR
2 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NO.
3 20? OKAY. ITEM NO. 20. EDDIE JONES, STACY FORD. CARLOS LEON.
4 YOLANDA LAWRENCE. THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.
5 BUT THEY WANTED TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM. STACY FORD, EDDIE JONES,
6 CARLOS LEON, IS YOLANDA LAWRENCE COMING? IS ANDREA GORDON?
7 OKAY. DOESN'T MATTER WHO GOES FIRST.

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9 **STACY FORD:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD. MY NAME IS STACY FORD. I WORK
10 AT SYLMAR JUVENILE HALL. AND I WANT TO TAKE THIS MOMENT TO
11 THANK THE BOARD FOR CONTINUING WITH OUR ISSUES. THAT LET US
12 KNOW THAT OUR ISSUES ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU; AND FOR THAT, WE
13 WISH TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE AND LOOK FORWARD TO TALKING WITH
14 YOU IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THANK YOU.

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16 **CARLOS LEON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CARLOS LEON, I WORK AT
17 CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AGAIN FOR
18 DELAYING ACTION ON THIS ITEM, AND OF COURSE, C.E.O. FUJIOKA
19 FOR WORKING WITH OUR UNION REPRESENTATIVES TO COME TO POSITIVE
20 RESULTS AND KEEPING THE STAFFING LEVELS AT THE JUVENILE HALLS
21 WHERE THEY NEED TO BE. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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1 **EDDIE JONES:** AGAIN, MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES. EDDIE JONES.
2 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION. THE
3 PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS A VERY MUCH-NEEDED DEPARTMENT, AND
4 THERE SHOULD BE NOT ONE CUT. WHEN YOU LOOK AT CRIME IN OUR
5 CITY AND IN OUR COUNTY TODAY, IT IS THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE
6 PROBATION DEPARTMENT THAT WORK HARD TO REVITALIZE AND
7 REJUVENATE AND REHABILITATE OUR YOUTH AND OUR SOCIETY. THIS IS
8 WHAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT A WHILE AGO. AND WE WILL RE-VISIT IT
9 RIGHT NOW. THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU KEEP THE
10 PROBATION OFFICERS DOING THEIR JOB. WHEN YOU SEE THESE YOUNG
11 PEOPLE OUT HERE THAT ARE CARRYING GUNS, CARRYING KNIVES,
12 DISRESPECTING THE LAW, THEN THAT'S WHERE THE PROBATION
13 DEPARTMENT COMES IN TO HELP THEM GET THEIR LIVES ON THE RIGHT
14 TRACK. I ASKED THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO BE MINDFUL OF HOW
15 IMPORTANT IT IS FOR EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THESE PROBATION
16 OFFICERS AND ALL THE WORK THAT THEY DO TO HELP THE COUNTY KEEP
17 ITS YOUNG PEOPLE IN ORDER. OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WILL HAVE A FUTURE
18 WITH THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. BUT WHEN YOU CUT THESE PEOPLE
19 OUT OF THEIR JOBS, YOU'RE ALSO MAYBE KNOCKING THEM OUT OF
20 THEIR HOMES AND THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR LIFE. SO LET'S
21 ANALYZE AND EVALUATE CAREFULLY ALL THAT WE CAN DO FOR THE
22 PROBATION DEPARTMENT. AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THE
23 WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE. AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THE
24 WORK THAT I KNOW THAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO. THANK YOU VERY, VERY
25 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I STATED THIS MOTION HAS BEEN
3 CONTINUED UNTIL NEXT WEEK. ON ITEM NO. 85-A, JOHN WALSH? OH,
4 I'M SORRY. GINO, COULD YOU LET HER? SHE HAD BEEN CALLED UP TO
5 SPEAK ON THAT ITEM. AND YOLANDA WAS NOT GOING TO SPEAK, RIGHT?
6 YOLANDA WAS NOT GOING TO SPEAK? OKAY.

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8 **ANDREA GORDON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANDREA
9 GORDON. I REPRESENT PROBATION DIRECTORS. I WANT TO THANK YOU,
10 EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU, FOR MEETING WITH ALL OF US
11 YESTERDAY TO DISCUSS THE MATTERS AFFECTING THE PROBATION
12 DEPARTMENT AND THE SEVERE BUDGET SITUATION THAT WE'RE FACING
13 IN THE NEAR FUTURE. I SPECIFICALLY WANT TO THANK YOU TODAY FOR
14 YOUR WILLINGNESS TO PUT OFF A DECISION ON THIS MATTER UNTIL
15 WE'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT IT MORE CLOSELY AND SEE IF
16 THERE'S ANY WAY WE CAN ACHIEVE THE FINANCIAL CUTS THAT YOU'RE
17 LOOKING FOR AND STILL MAINTAIN THE JOBS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. ITEM NO.
20 85-A, MR. WALSH?

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22 **JOHN WALSH:** THANK YOU. HOLLYWOOD HIGHLANDS.ORG. I SUPPORT 100
23 PERCENT, HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG, THE PROBATION WORKERS. MY
24 MOTHER AND FATHER PUT ME ON PROBATION WHEN I WAS SEVEN YEARS
25 OLD, SO I KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE. IT WASN'T ANY FUN. THEY DIDN'T



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1 ENJOY IT, EITHER. SO YOU DO A FANTASTIC JOB, THE PROBATION
2 OFFICERS. AND I'M SURE THAT MR. FUJIOKA, IF HE WAS ALLOWED TO
3 RUN THINGS, WOULD FIND THE MONEY. BUT ALL THIS POLITICS UP
4 HERE. AND AS FAR AS 85-A IS CONCERNED, THIS CONCERNS SIGNATURE
5 STAMPS. WE'RE 100 PERCENT FOR IT. AND I GOT BAD NEWS FOR YOU,
6 MR. ANTONOVICH. I AM RECOMMENDING THAT THE A.C.L.U. GIVE YOU A
7 FREE SPEECH AWARD. THANK YOU. [LAUGHTER.]

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO, ARNOLD SACHS AND DR. GENEVIEVE
10 CLAVREUL? 85-A.

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12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. I REALLY LIKE
13 THIS PART. REGULATIONS, YOU WANT TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATIONS.
14 YET, YOU ASK QUESTIONS, YOU SAY WHAT ABOUT REGULATIONS WHEN
15 YOU'RE WEARING YOUR TRANSIT HAT? THOSE GO OUT THE WINDOW. HOW
16 CAN YOU BE SO DUPLICIT IN YOUR ACTIONS? HOW CAN YOU ASK FOR
17 SUPPORT WHEN YOU SO BLATANTLY IGNORE STATE LAWS, STATE RULES,
18 AND WHEN ASKED QUESTIONS, "BROWN ACT SAYS WE DON'T HAVE TO
19 ANSWER IT BECAUSE IT'S NOT ON THE AGENDA." BUT THEN YOU HAVE
20 ANOTHER OPTION WHERE YOU MAKE UP -- WHERE YOU HAVE A
21 DEPARTMENT HEAD MAKE UP FANTASY STORIES, WHICH ALSO DON'T LEAD
22 TO ANY ANSWERS. SO TO ASK FOR REGULATION WHEN YOU YOURSELVES
23 BLATANTLY IGNORE STATE REGULATIONS, REGULATIONS THAT YOU WERE
24 SWORN TO UPHOLD. RIGHT? YOU DO TAKE AN OATH OF OFFICE. AND I
25 THINK PART OF THAT OATH OF OFFICE SAYS YOU'RE SWORN TO UPHOLD



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1 THE STATE CONSTITUTION. I DON'T KNOW, EXCEPT MAYBE WHEN YOU,
2 WHAT'S THE WORD THAT WAS IN HERE? MODIFY. MAYBE WHEN YOU
3 MODIFY THE LAW, THAT'S A FREE PASS TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION.
4 SO GO AHEAD. ASK FOR MORE REGULATIONS. BUT JUST REMEMBER, WHEN
5 YOU GO TO METRO, THE REGULATIONS STOP AT THE DOOR.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. PATRICK O'ROURKE.
8 GENEVIEVE?

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10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, DR. GENEVIEVE
11 CLAVREUL. WELL I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. I LIKE
12 THAT -- WELL, TOO TIRED TODAY ALREADY. I LIKE THAT STATEMENT,
13 AND ESPECIALLY I'M AN ELDERLY PERSON MYSELF, SO I AM ALL IN
14 FAVOR OF PROTECTING THE ELDERLY. SO I'M GLAD TO IS HE THAT
15 HAPPEN. AND I HOPE THE BILL WILL PASS, S.B.86. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. O'ROURKE?

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19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ARE YOU GOING TO CALL 85-B HOW?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT'S THAT, GENEVIEVE?

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23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ARE YOU GOING TO CALL 85-B AFTER?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT WILL BE NEXT. WAIT. WE'RE GOING
2 TO CALL IT, BUT NOT NEXT. MR. O'ROURKE.

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4 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YES, I SIGNED UP FOR A FEW BOARD ITEMS. SO
5 THIS IS ON 84-A?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO, THIS IS ON 85.

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9 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** 85-A. OKAY. GIVE ME ONE SECOND. 85, OKAY. IT
10 DIDN'T TELL ME. ALL RIGHT. IS THIS REGARDING THE D.C.F.S. OR
11 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT? CAN THE BOARD CLARIFY WHAT THIS ITEM
12 IS? I DIDN'T GET TO READ THE FULL AGENDA ITEM, JUST THE
13 BRIEFING, JUST THE HEADER.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS IS THE DEAL, LEGISLATION.

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17 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YES SUPPORTING LEGISLATION FOR WHAT AGAIN?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SIGNATURE STAMPS AND SAFEGUARDS
20 AGAINST FRAUDULENT USE.

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22 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** FRAUD, YES. WELL THAT WAS THE MAIN ITEM I
23 HAD. WHEN COUNTY EMPLOYEES COMMIT FRAUD, WILL THIS BE AMONG
24 THE PURSUITS THAT THE COUNTY WILL PURSUE AMONG THIS
25 LEGISLATION? IF A COUNTY EMPLOYEE IS ACCUSED OF FRAUD AGAINST



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1 A DISABLED ADULT OR AN ELDERLY ADULT OR A CHILD? I'M
2 SUBMITTING THAT MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY WHO ARE EMPLOYEES ARE
3 UNDER THE SAME FEDERAL MANDATE AS CITIZENS TO BE PROSECUTED BY
4 THE COUNTY ACCORDING TO THE FEDERAL COURT SYSTEM. YOU CAN ASK
5 YOUR ATTORNEY, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY THIS TO VERIFY. BUT IF HE
6 DISAVOWS IT, THEN HE'S ACTUALLY VIOLATING FEDERAL LAW. I
7 SUBMIT THAT UNDER THIS LEGISLATION, THAT COUNTY EMPLOYEES THAT
8 COMMIT FRAUD, SUCH AS THE GENTLEMAN WHO HAD HIS MOTHER'S MONEY
9 TAKEN AWAY, INCLUDING COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO KNOWINGLY COMMIT
10 PERJURY, FALSE EVIDENCE AND SUCH, ARE UNDER THE JURISDICTION
11 OF THIS LAW. AND I ASK THAT THE COUNTY SUPPORT THIS TO PREVENT
12 FRAUD WITHIN THE COUNTY.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
15 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY.
16 ITEM NO. 5? QUESTION, IS MR. LOGAN HERE?

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR, THERE ARE PERSONS REPRESENTING
19 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER. I DON'T KNOW THAT MR. LOGAN IS HERE.
20 BUT PERSONS WHO ARE --

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S FINE. WHOEVER FROM THE
23 DEPARTMENT.

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25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ARE HERE TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES ON S.B.397.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO MR. O'ROURKE SIGNED UP FOR ITEM NO.
3 5, TOO. MAYBE HE CAN READ WHAT THE ITEM IS BEFORE HE WILL COME
4 UP? HI. QUESTION. THIS IS RELATIVE TO ONLINE VOTING, THIS
5 STATE LEGISLATION. QUESTION, WHAT STEPS WOULD THE REGISTRAR-
6 RECORDER TAKE TO ENSURE THAT ONE PERSON'S ONE VOTE IS
7 PROTECTED AND NOT A FRAUDULENT VOTE IF THIS LEGISLATION WOULD
8 BE ADOPTED?

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10 **SPEAKER:** IN YOUR QUESTION, SUPERVISOR, ARE YOU REFERRING TO AT
11 THE TIME WHEN A PERSON EXERCISES THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE OR IN THE
12 REGISTRATION PROCESS?

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LIKE ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS TO VOTE
15 IS U.S. CITIZENSHIP. HOWEVER, WE CAN OBTAIN DRIVER'S LICENSE
16 WITHOUT BEING A CITIZEN. AND WOULD THE DRIVER'S LICENSE BE A
17 PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP WHEN THEY SIGN THEIR AFFIDAVIT AND THEN
18 WOULD VOTE ONLINE. THAT'S A QUESTION.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** THE LEGISLATION S.B.397 WILL NOT MAKE ANY CHANGES TO
21 THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTERING TO VOTE. THE
22 PROCESS THAT'S BEING PROPOSED IS SIMPLY EXPANDING THE ABILITY
23 TO SUBMIT A REGISTRATION, TO DO IT ONLINE VERSUS JUST PAPER-
24 BASED AS WE DO RIGHT NOW. SO AS FAR AS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
25 ELIGIBILITY, THEY STAY INTACT. AS FAR AS WHAT OUR OFFICE WOULD



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1 DO IS THE SAME THING WE DO FOR ANY PERSON REGISTERING TO VOTE
2 UNDER THE CURRENT FORM, WHICH IS PAPER-BASED. WE SUBMIT THE
3 INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE. THEY BUMP
4 THOSE RECORDS UP AGAINST SOCIAL SECURITY DATABASE, CALIFORNIA
5 D.M.V. DATABASE AND RETURN DUPLICATES OR ANY INCONSISTENCIES
6 BACK TO US. ADDITIONALLY, THE VOTER UNDER THE ONLINE VOTER
7 REGISTRATION PROCESS WOULD STILL BE SUBMITTING AN OATH UNDER
8 PENALTY OF PERJURY, WHICH IS WHAT IS DONE NOW ON THE CURRENT
9 VOTER REGISTRATION PROCESS, THE PAPER-BASED PROCESS.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS IS A
12 STOPGAP MEASURE WHICH WOULD ALLOW COUNTIES TO DEVELOP AN
13 ELECTRONIC VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR ONLINE, USING THE
14 SIGNATURE ON A CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR IDENTIFICATION
15 PURPOSES AS THE REQUIRED VOTER REGISTRANT'S SIGNATURE. AND THE
16 DEPARTMENT EXPECTS THERE WILL BE LESS MANPOWER FOR KEYING IN
17 DATA FROM PAPER VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS WHEN ADOPTED. BUT
18 AGE, RESIDENCY AND OTHER ELIGIBLE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS
19 WOULD BE BUMPED AGAINST EXISTING D.M.V. RECORDS. AND I KNOW
20 THERE WAS A MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD IN SANTA ANA WHO WAS
21 PROSECUTED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR VOTER FRAUD LAST YEAR.
22 BECAUSE MANY RESIDENTS CHANGE ADDRESSES FREQUENTLY THAT FAIL
23 TO NOTIFY THE D.M.V. WHEN THEIR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED, HOW WOULD
24 YOU VERIFY THAT THE AUTHENTIC ADDRESS OF A VOTER WHO HAS



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1 REGISTERED WITHIN THE SHORT TIMELINE, 15 DAYS BEFORE AN
2 ELECTION?

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4 **SPEAKER:** WELL UNDER THAT SCENARIO, WE WOULD -- THE VOTER WOULD
5 ACTUALLY NOT BE ABLE TO REGISTER ONLINE. THE BILL PROPOSES TO
6 JUST ADD ANOTHER OPTION FOR PEOPLE WHO MEET CERTAIN CRITERIA.
7 AND FOR ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION, ALL THE BILL IS PROPOSING
8 IS TO SAY IF YOU HAVE A VALID CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S LICENSE AND
9 IT'S CURRENT OR A CALIFORNIA ID, YOU'RE ABLE TO UTILIZE THIS
10 ADDITIONAL SERVICE. IF YOU HAVE NOT MAINTAINED YOUR RECORDS
11 UP-TO-DATE AND YOU'VE CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS, YOU ARE EITHER
12 GOING TO HAVE TO SUBMIT A CHANGE OF ADDRESS REQUEST AT THE
13 D.M.V. OR YOU WILL, AGAIN, HAVE THE OPTION TO SIMPLY REGISTER
14 TO VOTE USING THE CURRENT SYSTEM, WHICH IS THE PAPER-BASED
15 SYSTEM, WHICH WE'RE ABLE TO PROCESS AND STILL MANAGE UNDER THE
16 15-DAY DEADLINE BEFORE ELECTION DAY.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THOSE ARE MY QUESTIONS. MR.
19 O'ROURKE, ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE
20 BOARD?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO. MR. MAYOR, I BROUGHT THIS FORWARD
23 BECAUSE I KNOW THE BOARD AS A WHOLE WISHES TO ENCOURAGE
24 PARTICIPATION IN THE ELECTORAL ELECTORAL PROCESS, THAT IS TO
25 ENCOURAGE CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY. AND THE MOST BASIC WAY IN



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1 WHICH TO DO THAT IS TO REGISTER TO VOTE AND THEN EXERCISE THAT
2 VOTE. THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES ARE IN PLAY NOW THAT SEEK TO
3 MAXIMIZE THAT. THIS LEGISLATION IS AIMED AT THAT. IT IS
4 NONPARTISAN, OBVIOUSLY IT HAS TO BE BY DEFINITION AND/OR BY
5 LAW. I THINK IT IS A GOOD THING AND I WOULD TRUST THAT THE
6 WHOLE BOARD WOULD EMBRACE IT AND MOVE IT FORWARD.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. O'ROURKE?

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10 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YEAH, MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE. MY PHONE
11 NUMBER IS 213-915-2138. I LIVE IN SANTA MONICA AT 2410 KANSAS
12 AVENUE, APARTMENT C, 90404. IF ANYBODY HAS ANY DISAGREEMENTS,
13 THEN THEY CAN GO AHEAD AND CALL ME OR WRITE ME DIRECTLY. I AM
14 A REGISTER VOTER. I ALSO AM AN EXPERIENCED POLL WORKER OF OVER
15 20 YEARS. I HAVE BEEN INSPECTOR THE ENTIRE TIME. AND WITH
16 THAT, I STATE THAT THERE IS AN OPTION FOR ANY VOTER THAT HAS
17 VOTED OR IS OF AGE, THEY CAN ALWAYS FILL OUT A PINK
18 PROVISIONAL ENVELOPE, WHETHER THEY'RE IN THEIR DISTRICT OR
19 NOT, AND VOTE FOR THE ISSUES THAT CONFORM TO THEIR AREA WITHIN
20 A DIFFERENT DISTRICT OR JUST VOTE FROM WORK. THIS HAS ALWAYS
21 BEEN AVAILABLE FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS MINIMUM FOR EVERY VOTER.
22 SO EVEN THOUGH A VOTER HAS A PROBLEM, COMES TO THE POLL, THEIR
23 D.M.V., WHAT DO YOU CALL IT? CRITERIA DIDN'T MEET. THEY'RE
24 STILL ABLE TO GO TO THEIR PRECINCT, CONTEST IT AND FILL OUT A
25 PROVISIONAL BALLOT. THIS IS TO ALLOW A VOTER TO VOTE, SIMPLY.



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1 AND WE ARE NOT THE POLLING POLICE, BY THE WAY. IT'S THE JOB OF
2 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE, NOT US, TO DETERMINE WHO IS
3 ELIGIBLE AND WHO ISN'T, TO LOCATE VOTER FRAUD. AND THIS IS A
4 SIMPLE MATTER THROUGH COUNTY AND CITY RECORDS. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A MOTION BY
7 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
8 WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MYSELF VOTING NO. SO ORDERED. THANK
9 YOU. NO. 84 IS A PUBLIC HEARING.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 84, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE
12 IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A HEARING ON ADOPTION OF AN
13 ORDINANCE AMENDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE TITLE 8, CONSUMER
14 PROTECTION, AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS, AND TITLE 20, UTILITIES
15 TO IMPLEMENT NEW AND REVISED PUBLIC HEALTH FEES AND MODIFY
16 BUSINESS CATEGORY DEFINITIONS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011. THERE
17 WAS CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED, AND THERE ARE SOME PUBLIC
18 SPEAKERS. AND SO FOR THE PUBLIC SPEAKERS, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN
19 TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, WILL YOU PLEASE STAND AND RAISE
20 YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN? IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
21 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO THE TELL THE
22 TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU
23 GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR? SUPERVISOR KNABE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** BEFORE WE GET TO THE STAFF REPORT AND THE PUBLIC
3 TESTIMONY, I HAVE A MOTION THAT I'D LIKE TO PUT OUT ON THE
4 TABLE FOR THIS PARTICULAR ITEM. I'LL HAVE MY STAFF HAND IT
5 OUT. THIS PROPOSED RATE RESTRUCTURING IS, I THINK, AT THIS
6 PARTICULAR POINT NOT IN A POSITION FOR ADOPTION. IT IS A VERY
7 COMPLEX 51-PAGE AMENDMENT TO OUR COUNTY CODE AFFECTING OVER
8 174,000 ENTITIES, INCLUDING RESTAURANTS, GROCERY STORES,
9 LAUNDRIES, APARTMENT BUILDINGS, FARMERS' MARKETS, PRIVATE
10 SCHOOL CAFETERIAS, SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITES, MOST OF WHOM
11 WHO PROBABLY DON'T KNOW A THING ABOUT IT. THE EFFORT TO
12 PREVIEW IT WITH THESE ENTITIES BEGAN IN EARNEST ONLY FOUR
13 WEEKS AGO. IF WE PASS THIS PROPOSAL NOW TO BE EFFECTIVE JULY
14 1, A NUMBER OF THESE RATE PAYERS WILL BE HIT BY A SURPRISE
15 WITH DOUBLE DIGIT PERCENTAGE RATE HIKES. OTHERS WILL BE
16 CHARGED ALSO BY SURPRISE FOR SERVICES THEY WERE NOT CHARGED
17 FOR AT ALL BEFORE. THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE, PARTICULARLY DURING
18 THE VERY FRAGILE RECOVERY FROM ONE OF THE WORST ECONOMIC
19 DOWNTURNS WE'VE HAD IN 70 YEARS. THIS RATE RESTRUCTURING
20 PROPOSAL SHOULD FIRST BE COMMUNICATED TO, WHICH IT HAS BEEN IN
21 SMALL AMOUNT, TO AND VETTED BY THE RATE PAYERS, OTHER
22 INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, INDEPENDENT EXPERTS IN
23 FIELDS INCLUDING PUBLIC HEALTH, ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS. AND
24 THE PROCESS FOR THIS SHOULD BE SYSTEMATIC AND FULLY
25 TRANSPARENT. RATE PAYERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD



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1 BE INFORMED ABOUT THE PROPOSAL AND THE STUDY ON WHICH IT IS
2 BASED, ADVISED OF THE PROPOSED NEW RATES AND RATIONALE FOR
3 THEM, GIVEN ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC INFORMATION OF THE SUBJECT,
4 PROVIDED MEANS TO ASK QUESTIONS, RECEIVE CLEAR ANSWERS, GIVEN
5 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUGGEST AT LEAST MODIFICATIONS FOR OUR
6 CONSIDERATION, SUBMIT OTHER COMMENTS, AND HAVE ALL SUCH INPUT
7 DOCUMENTED AND SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED IN A FINAL MODIFICATION OF
8 THIS PROPOSAL. I UNDERSTAND THAT BOTH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
9 HEALTH AS WELL AS THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR ARE IN AGREEMENT
10 THAT THIS ITEM CAN BE CONTINUED TO JULY 12, 2011. HOWEVER,
11 THERE'S A LOT THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE WITHIN THAT SHORT PERIOD
12 OF TIME. SO THE C.E.O. SHOULD THEREFORE LEAD THIS EFFORT AND
13 ENSURE THAT IT'S COMPLETED THOROUGHLY AND EXPEDITIOUSLY. ONCE
14 THAT IS DONE, THE DIALOGUE WITH TRADE ASSOCIATIONS OF THE
15 AFFECTED BUSINESS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS SHOULD ROUTINELY
16 CONTINUE AND BE EXPANDED TO COVER THE FULL RANGE OF IDEAS TO
17 IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF LICENSING, PERMITTING,
18 AND INSPECTION, WHILE REDUCING THE COSTS AND CHARGES FOR THESE
19 REGULATORY SERVICES. SOME OF US IN A SIDE NOTE JUST READ THAT
20 ARTICLE ABOUT CALIFORNIA AND SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT WE HAVE
21 AND WHERE A CARL'S JUNIOR TAKES SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR TO
22 ENTITLE HERE AND IN TEXAS MUCH LESS TIME. SO I THEREFORE MOVE
23 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO THE BOARD
24 MEETING JULY 12. FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O.
25 IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH, TREASURER



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1 TAX COLLECTOR, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND COUNTY COUNSEL. AND TWO,
2 TO SUBMIT TO THE BOARD WITHIN TWO WEEKS AN ACTION PLAN AND
3 TIMETABLE FOR A PUBLIC PROCESS. THREE, TO SUBMIT THE RATE
4 RESTRUCTURING PLAN WITH THE APPROPRIATE MODIFICATIONS FOR
5 APPROVAL AS SPECIFIED IN THE ACTION PLAN AND TIMETABLE. AND
6 FOUR, CONCURRENTLY SUBMIT A PROPOSED PROCESS FOR REGULAR
7 COUNTY DIALOGUE WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL
8 HEALTH LICENSING, PERMITTING INSPECTION ISSUES AND IDEAS FOR
9 IMPROVEMENT IN METHODS, QUALITY, COST, AND RATES. THAT IS THE
10 MOTION I WILL PUT ON THE TABLE. GOT A SECOND THERE. THANK YOU.
11 AND I WOULD JUST SAY IF I HAD NOT ASKED THE INNOCUOUS
12 QUESTION, "HAVE YOU DEALT WITH MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRY" A FEW
13 WEEKS AGO, THIS WOULD HAVE GONE THROUGH WITHOUT ANY OUTSIDE
14 INPUT FROM THOSE MOST IMPACTED. WE'VE LEARNED IF HISTORY YOU
15 JUST CAN'T SAY WE HAVE TO RAISE THIS BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T DONE
16 THIS IN SO MUCH A TIME, PARTICULARLY IN THIS FRAGILE ECONOMIC
17 RECOVERY. THERE ARE THOSE WITHIN THE INDUSTRIES THAT ARE
18 INVOLVED IN THIS THAT UNDERSTAND CERTAIN THINGS MIGHT HAVE TO
19 BE DONE. BUT THEY ALSO HAVE SOME IDEAS HOW IT MAY BE DONE, HOW
20 MAY IT BE THRESHOLDED IN, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. BUT I'M JUST --
21 SO I HAVE THIS MOTION, A SECOND AND THEN WE CAN HAVE THE STAFF
22 ADDRESS IT, AS WELL, AS YOU HAVE SOME OTHER PUBLIC FOLKS.
23
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I ALSO HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE
25 MOTION. ONE OF THE REPEATED COMPLAINTS MY OFFICE HAS RECEIVED



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1 IS THAT THE BUSINESS OWNERS HAVE THE INABILITY TO OBTAIN EASY
2 COPIES OF THE FEE STUDY ON WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
3 HEALTH BASED THEIR REVISED HEALTH FEES. IT'S CRITICAL THAT THE
4 DEPARTMENT MAKE THIS INFORMATION EASILY ACCESSIBLE IN A TIMELY
5 MANNER, ASSURING THE AFFECTED BUSINESSES WHAT THE RATIONALE IS
6 BEHIND THE PROPOSED FEE INCREASES AND REVISED BUSINESS
7 CATEGORY DEFINITIONS. POSTING THIS ONLINE WOULD AVOID THE
8 CONFUSION AND COMPLAINTS THAT HAVE ARISEN OVER THESE PROPOSED
9 INCREASES. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF
10 PUBLIC HEALTH TO IMMEDIATELY POST THE FEE STUDY ON THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WEBSITE, ASSURING ALL STAFF WHO
12 MAY INTERACT WITH IMPACTED BUSINESS ARE AWARE OF THE
13 INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN POSTED. SO THAT WOULD BE JUST A
14 FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

15
16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A MOTION, ALSO.

17
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

19
20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SINCE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FIRST
21 ESTABLISHED ITS RESTAURANT LETTER GRADING PROGRAM OVER A
22 DECADE AGO, THE PROGRAM HAS LED TO IMPROVED SANITARY
23 CONDITIONS AT LOCAL RESTAURANTS WHILE GARNERING NUMEROUS
24 ACCOLADES. RESULTS FROM THE LOS ANGELES HEALTH SURVEY
25 DEMONSTRATE THAT THE PROGRAM HAS ENJOYED BROAD PUBLIC SUPPORT.



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1 AND OTHER JURISDICTIONS HAVE EMULATED THE PROGRAM ACROSS THE
2 STATE AND AROUND THE COUNTRY. TODAY OUR BOARD HAS RECEIVED THE
3 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO ALIGN
4 THE FEES THAT WE CHARGE LOCAL BUSINESSES FOR PUBLIC HEALTH
5 PERMITS TO THE COUNTY'S ACTUAL COSTS OF INSPECTING AND
6 PROVIDING SERVICES FOR THOSE BUSINESSES. WHILE I SUPPORT THE
7 ALIGNMENT OF THE FEES TO THE COST OF SERVING THESE BUSINESSES,
8 I AM CONCERNED THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT UNIFORMLY PROVIDING
9 A HIGH ENOUGH LEVEL OF SERVICE TO OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES. MY
10 OFFICE HAS HEARD RECENTLY FROM A VARIETY OF RESTAURANT OWNERS,
11 RESTAURANT DESIGNERS AND BUILDERS AND EVEN A CITY MANAGER THAT
12 THEY SOMETIMES ENCOUNTER PROBLEMS WHEN DEALING WITH OUR
13 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UNIT. THE
14 PROBLEMS THAT THEY EXPERIENCE FALL INTO THREE BROAD
15 CATEGORIES: ONE, SLOW RESPONSE TIMES FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO
16 PLAN CHECK REQUESTS. TWO, INCONSISTENT INTERPRETATION AND
17 ENFORCEMENT OF THE FOOD CODE. AND THREE, UNPROFESSIONAL
18 BEHAVIOR ON THE PART OF SOME INSPECTORS. WE HAVE HEARD FROM
19 PERMIT HOLDERS WHO STATE THAT THEY HAVE WAITED WELL BEYOND THE
20 STANDARD 20 DAYS FOR A RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S PLAN
21 CHECK UNIT, AND THAT THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED RUDE AND
22 INCONSIDERATE BEHAVIOR ON THE PART OF THE INSPECTORS. SOME
23 INSPECTORS. WE HAVE ALSO HEARD FROM A CITY MANAGER AND FROM
24 RESTAURANT OWNERS WHO ARE BEING TOLD ONE THING BY THE
25 DEPARTMENT WHEN THEY SUBMIT THEIR RESTAURANT CONSTRUCTION



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1 PLANS, AND THEN ARE TOLD SOMETHING ENTIRELY DIFFERENT ONCE
2 CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED. PUBLIC HEALTH PERMIT HOLDERS HAVE A
3 RIGHT TO EXPECT A CLEAR AND CONSISTENT GUIDANCE FROM THE
4 DEPARTMENT ON ISSUES RELATING TO THE FOOD CODE. I AM AWARE
5 THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS SEVERAL PROCESSES IN PLACE TO ADDRESS
6 COMPLAINTS FROM PERMIT HOLDERS. HOWEVER, MY OFFICE HAS HEARD
7 THAT SOME PERMIT HOLDERS DO NOT SEND THEIR COMPLAINTS TO THE
8 DEPARTMENT OUT OF FEAR OF POSSIBLE RETALIATION. SO WHILE THE
9 DEPARTMENT HAS ATTEMPTED TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF PERMIT
10 HOLDERS, I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS STILL ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT. I
11 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO REPORT BACK WITHIN 60 DAYS --
13 AND I BELIEVE YOURS IS 60 DAYS ALSO, SO IT WOULD BE CONSISTENT
14 WITH THAT -- REPORT BACK WITHIN 60 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
15 TO IMPROVE THE SERVICE THAT IT PROVIDES TO PUBLIC HEALTH
16 PERMIT HOLDERS, IN PARTICULAR THE RECOMMENDATION SHOULD
17 ADDRESS THE DEPARTMENT'S SLOW RESPONSE TIMES TO PLAN CHECK
18 REQUESTS, THE INCONSISTENT INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF
19 THE FOOD CODE, ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE CALIFORNIA RETAIL FOOD
20 CODE, THE UNPROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR OF SOME ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
21 STAFF, AND WAYS TO ENSURE THAT PERMIT HOLDERS ARE ABLE TO
22 SHARE THEIR CONCERNS WITHOUT FEAR OF RETALIATION. THE
23 DEPARTMENT'S REPORT SHOULD ASSUME THAT ALL RECOMMENDED ACTIONS
24 CAN BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. I JUST WANT TO
25 SAY I THINK MY STAFF HAS DISCUSSED THIS WITH YOU. THE PROBLEM



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1 WITH PEOPLE AT THE LOWER END OF THE FOOD CHAIN WHO HAVE THE
2 POWER TO GRANT PERMITS IS THAT THEY GET -- SOME OF THEM GET A
3 LITTLE CARRIED AWAY. IT REMINDS ME OF THE OLD JOKE THAT AL
4 GORE USED TO TELL WHEN HE WAS RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT IN 1988.
5 HE HAD BEEN CRISSCROSSING THE COUNTRY AND FINALLY ARRIVED AT A
6 PICNIC SOMEWHERE IN SOUTH CAROLINA. AND HE WAS STANDING IN
7 LINE TO GET HIS LATE LUNCH. THE GUY PUTS A PIECE OF CHICKEN ON
8 HIS PLATE. AND HE SAYS, "I'D LIKE TO HAVE TWO PIECES OF
9 CHICKEN IF YOU DON'T MIND." HE SAYS, "NO. THE LIMIT IS ONE
10 PIECE OF CHICKEN." AND GORE SAID, "DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM? I'M
11 AL GORE, I'M RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES." AND
12 THE SERVER SAID, "DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM? I'M THE GUY WHO SERVES
13 THE CHICKEN." YOU GOT A LOT OF GUYS IN YOUR DEPARTMENT, THIS
14 GOES FOR THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, IT HAPPENS EVERYWHERE. IT'S
15 NOT JUST IN THE COUNTY, IT'S THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ALL OVER
16 THE PLACE, WHERE YOU GOT THESE LITTLE NAPOLEONS RUNNING AROUND
17 WHO HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF POWER. AND THEY'RE THE PEOPLE WHO
18 SERVE THE CHICKEN. AND THEY'RE GOING MAKE DAMN SURE THAT
19 EVERYBODY KNOWS THEY'RE THE ONES THAT SERVE THE CHICKEN.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SOME GET ELECTED TO OFFICE.

22 [LAUGHTER.]

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SOME HAVE BEEN AROUND A LONG TIME.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH.

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHOO!

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GET THAT CHOP IN THEIR HAND.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THIS IS SOMETHING YOU NEED TO ADDRESS
8 BECAUSE I HEAR IT ALL THE TIME. AND THIS HAS REALLY BEEN AN
9 OPPORTUNITY TO FOCUS ALL OF THESE COMPLAINTS. THESE COMPLAINTS
10 DIDN'T JUST COME UP IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS. THIS IS SOMETHING
11 THAT WE GET. WE'VE HAD TO CALL YOU ON OCCASION, YOUR
12 DEPARTMENT, TO EXPEDITE SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR A
13 LONG TIME. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO DO THAT. THERE SHOULD BE A
14 SYSTEM WHICH WORKS SMOOTHLY. AND YOU COME TO US AND WANT US TO
15 RAISE THE FEES. THE LEAST YOU CAN EXPECT -- THE PUBLIC CAN
16 EXPECT IF WE RAISE THE FEES IS THAT THEY'RE GOING GET SERVICE
17 COMMENSURATE WITH WHAT THEY'RE PAYING FOR. AND THEY'RE NOT
18 GETTING IT. THEY'RE NOT GETTING IT NOW. AND UNLESS YOU ADDRESS
19 THIS, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET IT EVEN WITH AN INCREASED FEE.
20 SO I THINK THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE
21 STONE. AND I REALLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY.

22

23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES, WELL WE CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THE
24 CONCERNS AND WE'RE PREPARED TO ADDRESS THEM. I KNOW THAT WE
25 CAN ALWAYS DO MORE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF WHAT WE DO. AND



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1 WE HAVE TO BE VERY CUSTOMER SENSITIVE AND FRIENDLY WHILE AT
2 THE SAME TIME MAKING SURE THAT WE ENFORCE THE STATE AND LOCAL
3 CODES TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH. WE CAN VERY EASILY PUT THE
4 RATE STUDY ONLINE. WE'VE MADE IT AVAILABLE. BUT WE'LL PUT IT
5 ON THE WEB SO THAT PEOPLE CAN EASILY GET IT. WE WILL ADDRESS
6 BOTH THE ISSUES OF COLLABORATION AND COOPERATION WITH THE
7 AFFECTED INDUSTRIES AND THE CONCERNS ABOUT CUSTOMER SERVICE
8 THAT HAVE BEEN VOICED. AND WE WILL DO IT IN THE SPIRIT OF
9 TRYING TO BE GOOD STEWARDS AND TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE DOING
10 EVERYTHING WE CAN TO IMPROVE THE SERVICE. LET ME JUST GIVE A
11 VERY SHORT BACKGROUND. WE ARE THE REGULATORY AGENCY CHARGED
12 WITH ENFORCING THE STATE AND LOCAL CODES TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC
13 HEALTH. THIS INCLUDES FOOD, HOUSING, DRINKING AND RECREATIONAL
14 WATER AND SOLID WASTE. WE HAVE A BUDGET OF ABOUT \$88 MILLION,
15 WHICH IS ALMOST ENTIRELY FROM PERMIT AND SERVICE FEES. WE GIVE
16 179,000 PERMITS ANNUALLY. UNDER STATE LAW, THE HEALTH OFFICER
17 IS AUTHORIZED TO ASSESS THESE FEES IN ORDER TO RECOVER THE
18 COST OF REGULATORY ACTIVITIES. THE LAST FEE INCREASE WAS IN
19 2007, FOUR YEARS AGO. AT THAT TIME YOUR BOARD DIRECTED US TO
20 STUDY THE PROGRAM COSTS PRIOR TO THE NEXT SCHEDULE FEE
21 INCREASE. SO BEFORE COMING TO THE BOARD, THE DEPARTMENT TOOK
22 ACTION TO IMPLEMENT A NUMBER OF EFFICIENCIES. WE CONSOLIDATED
23 OUR FOOD AND HOUSING BUREAUS. WE REDUCED PAID OVERTIME
24 SUBSTANTIALLY. WE ESTABLISHED RELIABLE WORKLOAD ESTIMATES. WE
25 ELIMINATED DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS IN A NUMBER OF OUR PROGRAMS.



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1 IN 2010, BASED ON BOARD DIRECTION, WE COMMISSIONED A FEE STUDY
2 USING AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT THAT WAS IDENTIFIED BY THE
3 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. THE FINDINGS INCLUDE THAT THE CURRENT FEES
4 DO NOT REFLECT THE ACTUAL COSTS. TOO LITTLE IS RECOVERED FROM
5 SOME FEE PAYERS AND TOO MUCH FROM OTHERS. THE CURRENT FEE
6 MODEL DOES NOT WELL REFLECT ESTABLISHED INSPECTION APPROACHES.
7 FOR EXAMPLE, SOME RESTAURANTS REQUIRE THREE INSPECTIONS PER
8 YEAR WHILE OTHERS REQUIRE ONE BASED UPON THE FOOD SAFETY RISK
9 TO THE PATRONS. HOWEVER, THE CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE DOESN'T
10 ACCOUNT FOR THESE DIFFERENCES. IN ADDITION, THE STUDY
11 IDENTIFIED SEVERAL TYPES OF REGULATED ENTITIES CURRENTLY
12 INSPECTED BUT NOT ASSESSED A FEE. FEES SHOULD BE CHARGED FOR
13 THESE ENTITIES SUCH AS PUBLIC POOLS, SOLID WASTE FACILITIES
14 AND PRIVATE SCHOOL CAFETERIAS. THEREFORE, THE PROPOSED FEE
15 MODEL ACCURATELY REFLECTS THE FEE FOR EACH SERVICE AND ALIGNS
16 FEE WITH THE APPROPRIATELY CORRESPONDING COST. THE C.E.O.,
17 COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER CONCUR WITH THE FEE
18 PROPOSAL. IN TERMS OF INDUSTRY OUTREACH, WE AGREE THAT WE NEED
19 TO DO MORE. LET ME JUST REVIEW SOME OF THE THINGS WE'VE DONE.
20 PRIOR TO THE BOARD DIRECTION, OR PURSUANT TO THE BOARD
21 DIRECTION ON APRIL 19 AS SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS NOTED AND
22 INSTIGATED, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HAS CONVENED
23 MEETINGS DURING THE PAST THREE WEEKS WITH MEMBERS OF THE
24 FOLLOWING ENTITIES: THE CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION, THE
25 L.A. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE



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1 ASSOCIATION, THE CALIFORNIA APARTMENT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION AND
2 THE APARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. OUR
3 DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN FOCUSED ON THE METHODS OF CALCULATING
4 FEES BUT HAVE ALSO RAISED SEVERAL NON-FEE-RELATED ISSUES SUCH
5 AS SERVICE QUALITY AND CONSISTENCY IN ENFORCEMENT. WE ARE
6 COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH THE INDUSTRIES, THE AFFECTED
7 INDUSTRIES IN RESOLVING THESE ISSUES. I JUST HAVE ONE REQUEST
8 ON BEHALF OF THOSE THAT HAVE CONCERNS, THAT THEY APPARENTLY
9 VOICE THEM. APPARENTLY THERE'S A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO SAY
10 WE'RE AFRAID TO PROVIDE THE COMPLAINTS. IF WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT
11 THEM, WE CAN'T SOLVE THEM. WE HAVE AN OMBUDSMAN, WE HAVE A
12 NUMBER OF DIFFERENT WAYS THAT COMPLAINTS CAN BE MADE. AND
13 WE'LL TRY AND PUBLICIZE THOSE TO A GREATER DEGREE THAN WE HAVE
14 IN THE PAST.

15
16 **SUP. KNABE:** DR. FIELDING, I WOULD JUST ADD TO THAT, I TOTALLY
17 AGREE WITH YOU. AND I'VE HEARD THAT AS WELL. AND I SAID TO
18 THEM, THAT'S NOT AN EXCUSE. WE CAN'T FIX ANYTHING WE DON'T
19 KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT. IF THERE'S A PROBLEM AT THE OTHER END,
20 YOUR END, FROM THREATS OR WHATEVER IT MAY BE, WE CAN TAKE CARE
21 OF THAT, AS WELL, TOO. BUT I TOTALLY AGREE. IF THERE'S ISSUES,
22 WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF IT, EITHER THROUGH THE OMBUDSMAN OR
23 THROUGH OUR OFFICES, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. BECAUSE YOU CAN'T FIX
24 IT. WE CAN'T FIX IT IF WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S ABOUT. SO
25 THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT'S JUST NOT A GOOD EXCUSE TO



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1 SAY, "WELL, IF WE SAY SOMETHING, SOMEBODY'S GOING TO BLAH,
2 BLAH, BLAH." WELL, IF THAT HAPPENS, WE CAN TAKE CARE OF THAT,
3 TOO. I AGREE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO IN TERMS OF
6 THE BOARD ACTION, ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IN 60
7 DAYS WOULD ALIGN FEES WITH OUR CURRENT COSTS, THEREBY ALLOWING
8 THE DEPARTMENT TO RECOVER ITS COSTS AND ALLOW THE ASSESSMENT
9 OF FEES ON REGULATED ENTITIES WHICH TO DATE HAVE NOT BEEN
10 SUBJECT TO FEES. IF THE UPDATED FEES WERE NOT ADOPTED, THERE
11 WILL BE INSUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO FUND THE CURRENT PROGRAM
12 ACTIVITIES AND THAT GAP WOULD NEED TO BE ADDRESSED EITHER BY
13 REDUCING ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
14 OR BY FINDING ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF FUNDING. THANK YOU VERY
15 MUCH. HAPPY TO ANSWER YOUR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONE OF THE ISSUES -- I TALKED WITH MR.
18 FUJIOKA YESTERDAY IN OUR REGULAR MEETINGS THAT WE HAVE. IF
19 YOU'RE GOING TO OPEN UP A RESTAURANT, YOU HAVE TO HAVE ALL OF
20 THESE VARIOUS PERMITS. YOU HAVE TO GO TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,
21 PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH, ET CETERA. BUT NONE OF THE DEPARTMENTS
22 ARE ONLINE. SO I UNDERSTAND WE ARE IN A PROCESS OF DEVELOPING
23 EVERYTHING ONLINE. BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE FOR AN
24 ENTREPRENEUR TO OPEN A RESTAURANT AND HAVE TO TRAVEL ALL OVER
25 TO THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE



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1 ENTIRE COUNTY TO GET THE PERMITS. THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO
2 ONLINE AND THERE OUGHT TO BE A ONE-STOP CENTER THAT HANDLES
3 THOSE TYPES OF ADMINISTRATIVE PERMITTING. SO THAT'S GOING TO
4 BE COMING BACK, I HAVE FORGOTTEN, BILL. I HAVE FORGOTTEN THE
5 TIMEFRAME THAT WE WERE DISCUSSING YESTERDAY.

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** RIGHT NOW WHAT'S BEING WORKED ON IS OUR
8 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING IS LOOKING AT A WAY TO PUT SOME
9 OF THAT PROCESS ONLINE. WE WILL TALK TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF
10 PUBLIC HEALTH TO GET THAT OPTION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THAT'S AN AREA THAT -- I WAS NOT
13 AWARE OF THAT. A LOT OF THIS STEMS WHEN SACHI, THE EXECUTIVE
14 OFFICES RECEIVED THEIR AWARD A COUPLE MONTHS AGO WHERE THEY
15 WENT TO AUTOMATION FROM DOING EVERYTHING BY HAND. IT IS
16 AMAZING HOW ANTIQUATED WE ARE IN CERTAIN AREAS. THIS IS ONE I
17 WANT TO BRING UP AT LEAST TO THE 19TH CENTURY.

18

19 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE ARE IN FULL ACCORD.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WE HAVE A MOTION AS
22 AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR -- MR. O'ROURKE, I'M SORRY. MR.
23 O'ROURKE? WITHDREW ON THIS ITEM? EXCUSE ME, EXCUSE ME. WRONG
24 ONE. HOLD ON. WE'LL HOLD YOU FOR THE NEXT ONE, MR. O'ROURKE.



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1 WE HAVE MR. THEODOROPOULOUS. MR. NUNEZ, MS. NUNEZ? MARCUS
2 SALVEMINI, MADELYN ALFANO. YES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** HAVE A SEAT. MAKE SURE YOUR MICROPHONE'S NOT ON.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TRY NOW. IT'S ON.

7

8 **MARCUS SALVEMINI:** ON. MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK
9 YOU FOR THE TIME. I AM A RESTAURANT OWNER. MY NAME IS MARCUS
10 SALVEMINI. I ALSO AM A VENDER AT FARMER'S MARKETS FOR SEVERAL
11 YEARS NOW AND I HAVE A SMALL RESTAURANT. SOMETHING THAT FALLS
12 RIGHT IN THIS CATEGORY OF BEING INCREASED. I WANT TO TALK
13 BRIEFLY ABOUT THIS FEE STUDY BECAUSE WE DID, DR.
14 THEODOROPOULOUS DID MANAGE TO GET THE STUDY. AND FROM WHAT WE
15 UNDERSTAND, IT'S BASED ON A SINGLE POINT, BOTTOM-UP SYSTEM
16 METHODOLOGY THAT RELIES ON TWO MAJOR FACTORS FOR MEASURING ITS
17 CALCULATIONS: TIME SPENT INSPECTING AND THE HOURLY RATE. THE
18 HOURLY RATE, WE HAVEN'T QUITE BEEN ABLE TO ASCERTAIN DIRECTLY
19 FROM THE DOCUMENT. IT IS NOT CLEAR. BUT IT'S \$110. BUT THE
20 MORE IMPORTANT PART IS THE TIME SPENT BY INSPECTORS INSPECTING
21 A RESTAURANT OR A FARMER'S MARKET BOOTH FOR THAT MATTER, BOTH
22 OF WHICH I HAVE. FOR THE RESTAURANT IT'S THREE TIMES A YEAR.
23 THEIR FARMERS MARKETS BOOTHS ARE TWICE A YEAR. ACCORDING TO
24 THE STUDY, THEY'RE LOOKING AT ABOUT 11 TO 12 HOURS A YEAR FOR
25 RESTAURANT INSPECTION OVER THREE STUDIES AND FARMERS MARKETS



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1 BOOTH TWICE A YEAR, APPROXIMATELY AN HOUR PER INSPECTION. THE
2 REAL NUMBERS FROM HISTORY AND FROM MY EXPERIENCE AND CERTAINLY
3 CAN BE VALIDATED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE VENDORS AND THE
4 RESTAURANT OWNERS IS PROBABLY IN MY CASE OF PROBABLY NO MORE
5 THAN ABOUT 30 MINUTES IN THE RESTAURANT. I MAINTAIN MY A
6 RATING. AND IN THE FARMERS' MARKET BOOTH, PROBABLY CLOSER TO
7 10 MINUTES AT A STRETCH. SO THIS STUDY, IF BASED ON THIS
8 PARTICULAR -- THESE NUMBERS IS EXAGGERATED IN ORDER OF
9 MAGNITUDE OF ABOUT 10 TIMES. MY FRIEND HERE --

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WANT TO WRAP IT UP? YES, SIR.

12

13 **PANAGIOTIS THEODOROPOULOUS:** MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY
14 NAME IS DR. PANAGIOTIS THEODOROPOULOUS. I HAVE PROVIDED YOU
15 WITH ALL KINDS OF INFORMATION ON THIS ISSUE. I BELIEVE YOU
16 SHOULD ALL HAVE IT. I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS DISPUTE FOR A
17 LONG TIME. THE REASON BEING IS BECAUSE FOR ALMOST A DECADE
18 NOW, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, IN VIOLATION OF
19 THE LAW, IN BLIND VIOLATION OF THE LAW, THEY HAVE BEEN ACCUSED
20 -- VENDORS LIKE US ABOUT 15 TIMES MORE OR 10 TIMES MORE. 10 TO
21 15 TIMES MORE, LET'S PUT IT THIS WAY, THAN THE ACTUAL COST OF
22 INSPECTION. THEY HAVE A HISTORY OF DOING THIS. IN 2008, APRIL
23 OF 2008, I FINALLY FORCED THEM THROUGH SEVERAL COMPLAINTS WITH
24 THEIR QUALITY ASSURANCE DEPARTMENT, TO REDUCE THESE FEES
25 SOMEWHAT. AND WHAT DID THEY DO? INSTEAD OF SAYING THANK YOU



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1 AND COOPERATING WITH US IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE WHOLE SCHEME
2 OF FEES AND ALL THIS, THEY ATTACKED ME PERSONALLY. THEY FILED
3 60 CRIMINAL CHARGES. FALSE CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST ME, OF
4 WHICH THEY ZERO PERCENT CONVICTION RATE AND FOR WHICH THE
5 COUNTY WILL BE SUED. SO THE BOTTOM LINE IS WE HAVE A CORRUPT
6 DEPARTMENT HERE. THEY ARE CORRUPT FOR SEVERAL REASONS. NOT
7 ONLY BECAUSE THEY ATTACKED ME BECAUSE I BROUGHT FORWARD THE
8 PROBLEM. THEY ALSO HAVE ALLOWED INSIDE THE FARMERS' MARKETS
9 ALL KINDS OF VENDORS THAT ARE NOT NECESSARILY SCREENED. AND WE
10 HAVE PEOPLE SELLING FROM WAREHOUSES IN EAST L.A. FULL OF
11 ROACHES ET CETERA TO THE FARMERS' MARKETS TO PEOPLE THAT DON'T
12 KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. OUR CUSTOMERS DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING
13 ON. AND THEY HAVE ALLOWED THEM TO DO THIS IN ORDER TO RAISE
14 FEES. IN OTHER WORDS, THEY WENT AGAINST THEIR MANDATE. THE
15 MANDATE IS TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH. IT IS NOT TO RAISE FEES.
16 SO THEY WENT ENTIRELY AGAINST THE MANDATE. HERE'S A PLAT,
17 WHICH I'M SURE YOU HAVE, THAT SHOWS WHAT LOS ANGELES CHARGES
18 COMPARED TO OTHER COUNTIES. A HUGE SPIKE. THEY CHARGE MY
19 LITTLE BUSINESS \$13,000 A YEAR IN ORDER TO BE INSPECTED BY THE
20 HEALTH DEPARTMENT. \$13,000 A YEAR. THAT'S THE KIND OF MONEY
21 YOU PUT TO BUY A HOUSE, NOT TO BE INSPECTED BY THE HEALTH
22 DEPARTMENT. SO NOW THEY COME UP WITH A FEE STUDY. A FEE STUDY
23 THAT IS TOTALLY FLAWED. A FEE STUDY THAT IS FULL OF ERRORS OR
24 IMPROPER COMPARISONS OF FALSIFICATIONS. AND I ASKED MR.
25 BELLAMY THE PUBLIC HEARING OF MAY 4 IN WRITING, I PROVIDE HIM



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1 WITH THESE QUESTIONS. AND HE PROMISED ME ON CAMERA HE WILL
2 ANSWER THEM. I HAVE NOT RECEIVED AN ANSWER YET. U HAVE THE
3 QUESTIONS. I DON'T WANT TO TAKE UP MORE TIME.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHY DON'T YOU GIVE THE BOARD COPIES OF
6 YOUR QUESTIONS.

7

8 **PANAGIOTIS THEODOROPOULOUS:** YOU HAVE THEM IN YOUR LATEST
9 PACKETS. I HAVE THEM. YOU CAN HAVE THEM. I THINK THEY'RE IN
10 YOUR PACKETS THAT I GAVE YOU YESTERDAY. BUT YOU CAN HAVE
11 ANOTHER COPY OF THIS PAGE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU, SIR.

14

15 **PANAGIOTIS THEODOROPOULOUS:** SURE. YES, MA'AM.

16

17 **YVETTE NUNEZ:** HI. I'M ACTUALLY REPRESENTING TWO ORGANIZATIONS,
18 AND I HAVE LETTERS FROM THEM. I'LL TRY TO GO THROUGH THEM VERY
19 QUICKLY. FIRST I AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE FOOD
20 INDUSTRY BUSINESS ROUND TABLE. IT'S AN ASSOCIATION OF 140 FOOD
21 PROCESSORS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WITH THE MAJORITY OF OUR
22 MEMBERS BEING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE SMALL AND MEDIUM
23 SIZED FOOD PROCESSORS THAT ARE VERY DEDICATED TO SAFE AND
24 QUALITY FOODS. FOR OVER A DECADE, WE'VE WORKED WITH LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN A GROUP THAT WE



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1 HAVE CALLED THE R.W.F.P.C., THE REGIONAL WHOLESALE FOOD
2 PROCESSORS COMMITTEE, WHERE WE PROVIDE A FORUM TO SHARE
3 INFORMATION BETWEEN REGULATORY AND INDUSTRY. SO WE APPRECIATE
4 THAT THE AGENCY HAS BUDGET CHALLENGES. BUT SO DO OUR MEMBERS.
5 AND THE FEES, SOME WILL GO DOWN BUT MOST WILL GO UP. AND
6 HARDEST HIT ARE THE FOOD PROCESSING FACILITIES BETWEEN 2,000
7 AND 5,999 SQUARE FEET OF PROCESSING SPACE, WHICH IS MOST OF
8 OUR MEMBERS. AND THAT FEE IS \$650. COMPARING THESE FEES TO
9 OTHER PRIVATE AUDITORS THAT ARE CUSTOMER-DRIVEN FOR OUR
10 MEMBERS, THEY'RE EXORBITANT. THESE AUDITOR INSPECTIONS ARE
11 MUCH MORE EXTENSIVE THAN THE ONES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY. AS
12 OUR MEMBERS BRACE FOR THE INCREASED INSPECTIONS AND NEW
13 INSPECTION FEES DUE TO THE RECENT U.S. F.D.A. FOOD SAFETY
14 MONETIZATION LAW, WE REQUEST THAT YOU HAVE THE FEES REDUCED
15 RATHER THAN INCREASED. F.D.A. IS MANDATED TO INSPECT ALL FOOD
16 MANUFACTURERS UNDER THIS NEW LAW AND HAS PROVISIONS TO CHARGE
17 FEES FOR THAT WORK. ADDITIONALLY, WE SEE FEES FROM THE
18 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND COUPLED WITH WHAT
19 WE HAVE WITH THE COUNTY, IT'S GOING TO BASICALLY DRIVE
20 BUSINESSES AWAY. THE OVERALL EFFECT OF THE FEE INCREASE WILL
21 DO THAT. I'M SORRY, I'M REPEATING MYSELF HERE. F.I.B.R.
22 RECOGNIZES AND HAS SUPPORTED THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
23 DEPARTMENT BECAUSE WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE STATE AND FEDERAL
24 AGENCIES ARE SLOW AND CANNOT VISIT THE PLANTS OFTEN ENOUGH TO
25 KEEP THE FOOD SAFE. BUT WITH THE NEW F.D.A. LAW IN PLACE, THAT



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1 ALL SHOULD CHANGE. SO THAT'S A VERY CONCERN OF OURS. REGARDING
2 THE PLAN CHECK FEES, THE PROPOSED FEES ARE AT LEAST DOUBLED IN
3 MOST CASES. MOST OF OUR MEMBERS REPORT QUITE A DELAY,
4 SOMETIMES MANY MONTHS, WHICH CAN BE OBVIOUSLY AN ISSUE. SO WE
5 REQUEST THAT YOU CONSIDER OUR INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE. AND I CAN
6 VERY QUICKLY JUST TELL YOU THE OTHER ORGANIZATION IS CITY
7 TECH. IT'S A NONPROFIT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION. AND
8 WE FOSTER F.I.B.R. ANYWAY, I'LL LEAVE THIS WITH YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT.

11

12 **YVETTE NUNEZ:** THEY PROVIDE GREAT JOBS, SO THAT'S WHY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM. WAIT. BEFORE YOU SPEAK,
15 LET ME CALL UP VANESSA RODRIGUEZ, DOUGLAS ARSENEAULT, STUART
16 WALDMAN. YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **MADELYN ALFANO:** HI THERE. MY NAME IS MADELYN ALFANO. I'M OWNER
19 OF MARIE'S ITALIAN KITCHENS. I HAVE NINE RESTAURANTS
20 THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES. AND I'M ALSO THE PRESIDENT OF THE
21 CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION, THE L.A. CHAPTER. I HAVE A
22 LETTER FOR YOU ALL. UNDERSTANDING WE'VE MET WITH THE HEALTH
23 DEPARTMENT AND WE TRY TO MEET WITH THEM REGULARLY. HOWEVER, ON
24 THIS ACCOUNT WE DIDN'T -- WEREN'T NOTIFIED UNTIL JUST A COUPLE
25 OF MONTHS AGO ABOUT THE FEE INCREASE IN JULY. AND ALTHOUGH WE



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1 REALIZE THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME INCREASES, WE JUST
2 WANTED TO BE AT THE TABLE FOR THE DISCUSSIONS PER SUPERVISOR
3 KNABE'S SUGGESTION. WHAT WE ARE ASKING FOR IS THE 60 DAYS TO
4 REVIEW, WHICH I THINK WAS SPOKEN OF EARLIER. AND THAT ANY
5 SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES, IF THEY'RE 25 PERCENT OR MORE, BE RATED
6 ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. IN OTHER WORDS, I REALIZE THAT THE
7 COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR HAS A CERTAIN -- THEY BILL IN JUNE SO
8 THEY CAN GET THEIR MONEY IN JULY, I UNDERSTAND THAT, FOR AN
9 ANNUAL FEE. HOWEVER, THERE ARE SO MANY COSTS THAT HAVE
10 INCREASED IN OUR INDUSTRY THAT WE WOULD REQUEST THAT TO
11 ALLEVIATE THE BIG BURDEN, MAYBE HAVE THEM IN FOUR PAYMENTS. WE
12 ALSO SUGGESTED THAT THE COUNTY FEES MAYBE GO ON A PRORATED
13 BASIS SO THOSE RESTAURANTS THAT WERE ESTABLISHMENTS AND ARE
14 GOOD AND ARE GETTING THEIR A'S, MAYBE THEY DON'T NEED TO BE
15 INSPECTED THREE TIMES A YEAR. PERHAPS THEY CAN BE INSPECTED
16 TWO OR ONE TIME A YEAR. AND THAT WOULD ALLEVIATE THE TIME AND
17 THE FEE FOR THOSE PARTICULAR RESTAURANTS. WE APPRECIATE THE
18 OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AT THE TABLE. AND WE HOPE THAT WE'RE
19 INVITED MORE FREQUENTLY SO THAT WAY WE CAN HAVE DISCUSSIONS
20 AND MAKE SUGGESTIONS. BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND OUR INDUSTRY AND
21 WE UNDERSTAND THAT THEY DO HAVE A JOB TO DO. WE JUST WANT TO
22 WORK TOGETHER. SO THANK YOU.
23
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS TRACEY CHAVIRA HERE?
25 TRACEY? OKAY. YES.



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2 **VANESSA RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS.
3 VANESSA RODRIGUEZ ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT
4 ASSOCIATION AND ON BEHALF OF THE OVER 16,000 MEMBERS WE
5 REPRESENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE THOUSANDS OF INDIRECT
6 AND DIRECT JOBS THAT THESE RESTAURANTS SUPPORT. I RESPECTFULLY
7 REQUEST A 60-DAY CONTINUANCE OF THIS ITEM. AS YOU KNOW, UNDER
8 THE PROPOSED FEE RESTRUCTURING, RESTAURANT PERMIT FEES WOULD
9 INCREASE BY UP TO 14 PERCENT. YOU CAN UNDERSTAND OUR DISMAY
10 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S FAILURE TO DO ANY KIND
11 OF STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH TO AFFECTED INDUSTRIES LIKE OURS IN
12 THIS PROCESS. WE DON'T DOUBT, HOWEVER, THAT THE PUBLIC
13 HEALTH'S INTENTION WAS WELL MEANING. HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE
14 THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT AROUND PHASING IN
15 THE FEE INCREASES AND ESTABLISHING AN ONGOING STAKEHOLDER
16 OUTREACH PROCEDURE MOVING FORWARD. WE THEREFORE ASK FOR A 30-
17 DAY CONTINUANCE. AND WE ASSURE YOU THAT WE INTEND TO USE THIS
18 TIME TO BE REASONABLE AND CONSTRUCTIVE TO CREATE A WIN-WIN-WIN
19 SITUATION FOR GOVERNMENT, RESTAURANTS AND THE CONSUMERS THAT
20 WE BOTH SERVE. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

21

22 **DOUGLAS ARSENEAULT:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, HONORABLE
23 SUPERVISORS. ON BEHALF OF THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE
24 ASSOCIATION, MY NAME IS DOUG ARSENEAULT, I'M THE LEGISLATIVE
25 AFFAIRS MANAGER. I'M AT V.I.C.A. WE ECHO THE SENTIMENTS OF



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1 BOTH SUPERVISOR KNABE AND YAROSLAVSKY TO ISSUE A 60-DAY
2 CONTINUANCE TO FURTHER DISCUSS THIS AND WORK WITH ALL PARTIES
3 INVOLVED. THANK YOU.

4

5 **TRACEY CHAVIRA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. TRACEY CHAVIRA WITH CENTRAL
6 CITY ASSOCIATION. AS YOU MAY KNOW, C.C.A. IS A BUSINESS
7 MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION WHOSE 450 MEMBERS EMPLOY OVER 350,000
8 PEOPLE IN THE LOS ANGELES REGION. WHILE OUR MEMBERS COULDN'T
9 BE HERE TODAY, MANY OF THE BUSINESSES THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING,
10 RESTAURANTS, BARS, GROCERY STORES, FARMER'S MARKETS, HOTELS,
11 APARTMENTS AND HOMELESS SHELTERS ARE GREATLY AFFECTED BY THIS
12 PROPOSED POLICY. C.C.A. SUPPORTS THE 60-DAY CONTINUANCE
13 ALLOWING THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY ADDITIONAL TIME TO UNDERSTAND
14 THE FEES, OUTREACH OUR MEMBERS, AND WORK WITH THE COUNTY
15 TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR ON A FLEXIBLE PAYMENT PLAN. WE
16 WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR INTRODUCING THE
17 CONTINUANCE MOTION ALLOWING MORE TIME TO REVIEW AND COMMENT ON
18 THIS IMPORTANT MATTER. SO AGAIN, C.C.A. SUPPORTS THE 60-DAY
19 CONTINUANCE AND WE THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BEVERLY KENWORTHY? PATRICK
22 O'ROURKE AND ARNOLD SACHS.

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24 **BEVERLY KENWORTHY:** BEVERLY KENWORTHY WITH THE LOS ANGELES AREA
25 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THE LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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1 SUPPORTS THE 60-DAY CONTINUANCE. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS PROCESS
2 REQUIRES MORE TRANSPARENCY THAN WHAT HAS BEEN TO DATE. WE HAVE
3 SOME GOOD CONVERSATIONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
4 AND WE WOULD LIKE THOSE TO CONTINUE SO THAT EVERYBODY
5 UNDERSTANDS HOW THESE FEES WERE CALCULATED AND WHAT THE
6 OVERALL IMPACT IS GOING TO BE TO THE INDUSTRY. WE ALSO
7 APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR THE ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS
8 ON THE SERVICE LEVEL. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT IF YOU'RE GOING TO
9 INCREASE THE FEES, THEN THE SERVICES MUST MATCH THOSE. SO
10 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK
11 ON THIS ISSUE.

12
13 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE. AND I GAVE MY
14 INFORMATION EARLIER. I'M A RESIDENT OF SANTA MONICA. I'VE BEEN
15 A MEMBER, A VOLUNTEER MEMBER OF L.A.S.H.A., SAT ON THE BOARD
16 ON A DECISION MAKING. AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE SOCIAL
17 SERVICE AGENCIES WILL BE THE HARDEST HIT, THOSE LIKE THE
18 O.P.C.C. ACCESS CENTER AND MANY OTHER FOOD PROGRAMS DEVOTED TO
19 THE HOMELESS, THIS WILL IMPACT THEIR ABILITY TO GO AHEAD AND
20 PROVIDE SERVICES. WHILE HILTON HOTELS, AIRPORT MARINA AND THE
21 SUCH MAY BE ABLE TO ABSORB THESE COSTS, THE LOCAL SERVICE
22 AGENCIES WILL BE THE HIGHEST BECAME IMPACT. AND FOR THIS
23 REASON, I SUPPORT A 60-DAY DISCUSSION TELLING HOW THIS WILL BE
24 -- I BELIEVE ANOTHER LADY ASKED FOR AN EXTENSION OR PAYMENT
25 OPTIONS OR THE SUCH. THESE ARE SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES. THEY



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1 ARE NOT HIGHLY FUNDED. AND AS SUCH, IF THERE COULD BE LIKE
2 SOME KIND OF WAIVER. I MEAN INSPECTING O.P.C.C. COMPARED TO
3 HILTON HOTELS? I MEAN, HOW MANY HOURS DO YOU SPEND ON EACH?
4 O.P.C.C. IS ONE LITTLE AREA, HILTON HOTELS ARE A LARGE VAST
5 CHANGE WITH HUGE KITCHENS AND HUGE DINING ROOMS. MAYBE THAT
6 MIGHT BE A MORE INTELLIGENT APPROACH. IN ADDITION, I WOULD ASK
7 THAT THAT AMONG THIS, THAT ANY KIND OF LIKE COMPLAINTS AGAINST
8 EITHER CONSUMERS OR EMPLOYEES HAVE A TICKET NUMBER WITHIN THE
9 SYSTEM KIND OF LIKE REGISTRATION, WHERE A PERSON CAN FOLLOW
10 THEIR COMPLAINT, THEY CAN LOG IT. IT WOULD CROSS AGENCY
11 BORDERS. THEY MAY BE ABLE TO GO AHEAD AND REFER THAT TO A
12 DIFFERENT AGENCY, TOO. SUCH AS WHEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT MY
13 PAST HOTEL, 626 ALVARADO, DECIDED TO WAIVE LIVE POWER CABLE
14 BEFORE 2000 AS A PUBLIC HEALTH HAZARD. A LIVE POWER CABLE
15 EXPOSED TO CHILDREN STANDING AT ABOUT 1 FOOT ABOVE THE GROUND.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

18

19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD
20 SACHS. QUITE THE AMUSING ANECDOTE YOU TALKED ABOUT, SUPERVISOR
21 YAROSLAVSKY. LET ME MENTION ONE FOR YOU, ALSO. YOU TALKED
22 ABOUT THE LOW END OF THE FOOD CHAIN. LET'S TALK ABOUT THE HIGH
23 END THAT CONSIDERS THEMSELVES ABOVE AND BEYOND THE LAW. YOU
24 KNOW, BERNIE MADOFF WAS CALLED BEFORE THE S.E.C. TO TESTIFY.
25 AND I CAN TELL YOU RIGHT NOW HE'S NOT WEARING YANKEE



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1 PINSTripES. SO THAT'S JUST HOPE FOR THE PUBLIC. AND SUPERVISOR
2 KNABE, YOU GOT IT RIGHT ON THE HEAD ALSO WHEN YOU MENTIONED
3 RATE PAYERS NOT GETTING SERVICE THEY SHOULD BE EXPECTING.
4 BECAUSE I'M A RATE PAYER. AND MY BUS PASS HAS GONE UP \$14. AND
5 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND CONSUMER
6 PROTECTION. SO WHO IS PROTECTING ME THERE? SOLUTION. YOU GET A
7 COMPLAINT. YOU GET IT FILED AGAINST BY A DEPARTMENT FROM THE
8 COUNTY. WHEN YOU GO TO COURT, JUST TELL THE JUDGE THAT YOU
9 MODIFIED THE LAW TO SUIT YOUR NEEDS. IF THEY ASK HOW YOU CAN
10 DO THAT, CALL ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS TO TESTIFY. BECAUSE THEY
11 MODIFIED STATE LAW TO SUIT THEIR NEEDS. IF YOU CAN DO IT FOR
12 STATE LAW, AND YOU CAN HAVE SOMEBODY TESTIFY WHO WENT THROUGH
13 THE PROCESS, THEN I THINK YOU SHOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO DO IT
14 FOR COUNTY LAW. MODIFY AND MOVE ON BECAUSE THERE IS NO
15 DOCUMENTATION, JUST THE WORD OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS OR ANY OTHER SITTING MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN
17 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
20 KNABE AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF, WITHOUT
21 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM CS-4, MR. O'ROURKE. MR. O'ROURKE?



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2 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YEAH. AGAIN, MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE.
3 FROM MY EXPERIENCE WORKING FOR THE D.N.C. IN 2000, BASICALLY
4 WORKING FOR THE WESTERN LAW CENTER FOR LAW AND POVERTY, ALSO
5 SITTING ON THE BOARD AS ADVISER FOR L.A.S.H.A. AND MANY OTHER
6 THINGS, I WANT TO ASK ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY
7 WHO HAVE BEEN COMPLAINING TO THE SUPERVISORS, HAVE BEEN
8 COMPLAINING TO THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS THAT THE PERFORMANCE
9 OF -- THE HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS FOR THE DIFFERENT
10 DEPARTMENTS BE MADE PUBLIC, INCLUDING ANY KIND OF LIKE ACTION
11 THAT IS TAKEN AGAINST EMPLOYEES THAT SHOWS A HISTORY OF
12 COMPLAINTS. WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT HERE IS A SITUATION WHERE
13 IN L.A. COUNTY THERE HAS BEEN AN ONGOING AND INCREASING AMOUNT
14 OF RETALIATION, OF FRAUD AND OF UNUSUAL BEHAVIOR OF
15 DEPARTMENTS FROM EMPLOYEES ALL THE WAY UP TO THE HEAD OF
16 DEPARTMENTS AND THE HEAD OF ENTIRE DIVISIONS. WHERE THERE HAS
17 BEEN, SAY, UNUSUAL AMOUNTS OF MONEY BEING HAD FOR POOR
18 PERFORMANCE, LIKE THE \$5,000 I KEEP HEARING COME UP FOR A
19 CHILD BEING ADOPTED, MONEY BEING HANDED UNDER THE TABLE TO
20 PASS INSPECTIONS FOR LIKE THAT 626 ALVARADO BUILDING RATHER
21 THAN CITE THE BUILDING OWNER. MANY OF THESE COMPLAINTS ARE
22 ONGOING. AND THEY HAVE BEEN INCREASING IN THE COUNTY IN THE
23 LAST DECADE. I WOULD ASK THAT THE BOARD CONSIDER THIS AND
24 CONSIDER AMELIORATORY ACTIONS. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. THAT WAS A NO ACTION
2 ITEM. THAT'S EXECUTIVE SESSION. 85-B. AND WE HAVE IS LARRY
3 GOLAN HERE? LARRY GOLAN? TONY BRAVO? MICHAEL ROSS? DR.
4 CLAVREUL?

5

6 **LARRY GOLAN:** YES, OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR
7 AND ESTEEMED SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LARRY GOLAN, AND I'M A
8 FAMILY MAINTENANCE AND REUNIFICATION SUPERVISOR FOR THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES OUT OF THE GLENDORA
10 OFFICE. I'VE WORKED FOR THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE LAST 17 YEARS.
11 I'M HERE TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF S.E.I.U. 721 TODAY BECAUSE I
12 KNOW THAT WE ALL SHARE THE COMMON GOAL OF MAKING SURE THAT
13 D.C.F.S. IS WORKING TO THE BEST OF ITS ABILITY AND TO THE
14 COMMON BELIEF THAT WE ALL OWE THIS TO THE CHILDREN AND
15 FAMILIES WE SERVE. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO MAYOR ANTONOVICH
16 AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, S.E.I.U. OPPOSES THIS MOTION AS THE
17 WRONG APPROACH TO IMPROVING SERVICES. HISTORICALLY, BACK IN
18 JANUARY 2010, WE RELEASED A SERIES OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
19 D.C.F.S. AND FOLLOWED UP WITH A MEETING WITH EACH OF YOUR
20 DEPUTIES TO DISCUSS OUR IDEAS FOR ADDRESSING PROBLEMS IN THE
21 DEPARTMENT. THEY WERE GREAT CONVERSATIONS WHERE WE CANDIDLY
22 DISCUSSED A HOST OF ISSUES. FOR INSTANCE, THE TROUBLING UPTAKE
23 IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE INVESTIGATIONS OVER 30 DAYS WHICH
24 EVENTUALLY GREW TO OVERWHELM THE DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS NOW
25 KNOWN AS THE OVER-60 CRISIS. THE DEPARTMENT'S COMPLETE



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1 INADEQUATE TRAINING PROGRAM, WHICH DID NOT EQUIP WORKERS WITH
2 THE APPROPRIATE SKILLS DURING THE CORE ACADEMY ONCE THEY
3 ARRIVED ON THEIR JOBS. AND A POLICY FRAMEWORK THAT WITH EVERY
4 NEW HEADLINE LEFT WORKERS CONFUSED AND DID NOT NECESSARILY
5 IMPROVE OUR CHILD SAFETY INVESTIGATIONS. WE SPENT MONTHS WITH
6 D.C.F.S. ABOUT OUR RECOMMENDATIONS. AND WHILE EVERYONE AGREED
7 THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE GOOD WE SAW ALMOST NO PROGRESS.
8 FINALLY IN OCTOBER OF 2010, WE APPROACHED C.E.O. FUJIOKA. HE
9 AGREED THAT THINGS HAD TO CHANGE AND HE DIRECTED DEPUTY C.E.O.
10 JIMINEZ TO BRING THE UNION AND DEPARTMENT TOGETHER IN A SERIES
11 OF WORK GROUPS. THESE WERE LIKE NO OTHER LABOR MANAGEMENT
12 COLLABORATIONS I'VE EVER BEEN A PART OF. FIRST OFF, IT WAS
13 CRITICAL THAT IT IS LED BY THE C.E.O. BECAUSE THEY ARE OUTSIDE
14 THE DEPARTMENT AND HAVE SOME INFLUENCE WITH BOTH D.C.F.S.
15 MANAGEMENT AND WORKERS. SECOND, THE C.E.O. JIMINEZ HELD
16 EVERYONE ACCOUNTABLE TO PRODUCING RESULTS ON QUICK TIMELINES.
17 AND THIRD, WE SAW ACTUAL PROGRESS LIKE I'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE
18 DUE TO REGULAR STANDING WEEKLY MEETINGS AND A BIMONTHLY
19 STEERING COMMITTEE MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS ON SOLUTIONS.

20
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WANT TO WRAP IT UP?

22
23 **LARRY GOLAN:** OKAY. WE'VE MADE A LOT OF PROGRESS IN PARTNERSHIP
24 WITH THE C.E.O. AND IN THE DEPARTMENT BUT THERE IS A LOT OF



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1 WORK THAT'S STILL LEFT TO BE DONE. AND THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE IS
2 CRITICAL TO THAT PROCESS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU: SIR?

5

6 **TONY BRAVO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND OTHER MEMBERS
7 OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS TONY BRAVO. I'M A SUPERVISING
8 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER AT THE BELVEDERE OFFICE IN THE CITY
9 OF COMMERCE. AS LARRY POINTED OUT, S.E.I.U. IS OPPOSED TO
10 REMOVING D.C.F.S. FROM C.E.O. OVERSIGHT. I HAVE BEEN HERE, AND
11 I'VE ALSO BEEN A DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE FOR 30 YEARS. I ALSO HAVE
12 WITH ME A PETITION WITH OVER 1,000 SIGNATURES OF OTHER
13 D.C.F.S. EMPLOYEES WHO ARE ALSO OPPOSED TO THIS CHANGE. IN ALL
14 MY 30 YEARS AT D.C.F.S., I HAVE NEVER SEEN OR WITNESSED THIS
15 LEVEL OF COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND WORKERS
16 TRYING TO STRENGTHEN PRACTICE. I CAN HONESTLY SAY THAT THIS
17 WAS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE C.E.O.'S OVERSIGHT. I DON'T HAVE
18 TIME TO GO OVER ALL OF THE CHANGES THAT ARE BEING DISCUSSED,
19 BUT I WILL FOCUS ON TWO AREAS. THE FIRST BEING TRAINING. WHICH
20 WAS ONE OF THE MAJOR ISSUES IN OUR RECOMMENDATIONS AND HAS
21 ALSO RECEIVED COVERAGE IN THE L.A. TIMES AND AT SOME POINTS
22 HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED AT THIS BOARD. IF YOU ASK ANY WORKER ON
23 THE LINE RIGHT NOW WHETHER THE TRAINING ACADEMY HAS PREPARED
24 THEM TO DO THEIR JOB, THEY WILL PROBABLY JUST LAUGH IN DISMAY
25 BECAUSE IT HASN'T. WHEN THE UNION TOLD THE DEPARTMENT MANY



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1 TIMES THAT THEY NEEDED TO IMPROVE TRAINING, D.C.F.S. TOLD US
2 THAT THEY HAD DEVELOPED A LOT OF GREAT TRAINING IDEAS OVER THE
3 YEARS BUT FOR WHATEVER REASONS HAD NOT IMPLEMENTED THEM.
4 MEANWHILE, WE HAD WORKERS COMING RIGHT OUT OF THE ACADEMY
5 GOING STRAIGHT INTO EMERGENCY RESPONSE WITH LITTLE OR NO
6 EXPERIENCE, DETAINING CHILDREN AND MAKING LIFE OR DEATH
7 DECISIONS AND DECIDING WHETHER PARENTS POSED A THREAT TO THEIR
8 CHILDREN. IN OCTOBER, DEPUTY C.E.O. JIMINEZ CREATED A TRAINING
9 WORK GROUP WITH WORKERS AND MANAGEMENT. AND WE MET WITH HER
10 ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS SO THAT WE CAN ASSURE HER THAT WE WERE
11 REACHING OUR MILESTONES.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WRAP IT UP, SIR.

14

15 **TONY BRAVO:** YES. IN SHORT, WE THINK THAT KEEPING OVERSIGHT
16 WITH THE C.E.O. WILL KEEP WHAT WE'RE DOING ON TRACK. BECAUSE
17 IF WE DON'T HAVE ANY WAY TO FOLLOW-UP, THE WORK THAT WE'VE
18 DONE WILL SURELY GO AWAY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

21

22 **MICHAEL ROSS:** MY NAME IS MICHAEL ROSS, AND I'M A FAMILY
23 MAINTENANCE AND REUNIFICATION SUPERVISOR IN THE D.C.F.S.
24 POMONA OFFICE. I HAVE ALSO BEEN A SUPERVISOR IN EMERGENCY
25 RESPONSE AND I AM CURRENTLY OVERSEEING A GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS



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1 THAT ARE CLOSING E.R. OVER 60 REFERRALS EVERY DAY. I HAVE
2 WORKED FOR THE DEPARTMENT SINCE 1998. I JUST WANT TO ADD THAT
3 WHAT LARRY AND TONY ARE TALKING ABOUT AND WHAT MY COLLEAGUES
4 WHO SIGNED THESE PETITIONS ARE WORRIED ABOUT IS CHILD SAFETY
5 AND KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER. WHEN WE IMPROVE TRAINING OR
6 WHEN MAKE SURE THE TRAINING IS TIED TO BEST PRACTICES IN THE
7 FIELD INSTEAD OF IN A TEXTBOOK, WE HELP OUR WORKERS KEEP KIDS
8 SAFE. WHEN WE IMPROVE THE TOOLS THAT WE HAVE TO HELP MAKE OUR
9 WORKERS MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS, WE ARE HELPING OUR WORKERS
10 KEEP KIDS SAFE. WHEN WE FIND WAYS TO INCORPORATE THE VIEWS OF
11 VETERAN WORKERS INTO EVERYDAY EMERGENCY RESPONSE DECISIONS, WE
12 ARE HELPING OUR WORKERS KEEP KIDS SAFE. WHEN WE REDUCE THE
13 NUMBER OF OVER 60S FROM 4,700 TO APPROXIMATELY 2,000, WE ARE
14 HELPING OUR WORKERS KEEP CHILDREN SAFE. WHEN WE IMPROVE THE
15 WAY THE DEPARTMENT WORKS, WE ARE HELPING TO KEEP KIDS SAFE.
16 AND THAT IS WHAT I HAVE SEEN FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS. THE
17 C.E.O. HAS BEEN PUSHING A PROCESS THAT IS IMPROVING THE WAY
18 THE DEPARTMENT WORKS. AND TO REMOVE HIM AND THE DEPUTY C.E.O.
19 JIMINEZ FROM THIS EFFORT AT THIS POINT WOULD DO HARM TO A
20 COMMON GOAL HELD BY SOCIAL WORKERS, BOARD AND THE C.E.O. I
21 THINK THE BIG QUESTION HERE IS IF YOU REMOVE D.C.F.S. FROM THE
22 ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT OF THE C.E.O., WHO IS GOING TO DRIVE
23 THAT WORK? WHO IS GOING TO BE THE THIRD PARTY THAT BRINGS
24 TOGETHER VETERAN WORKERS AND MANAGERS TO DRIVE REFORM? I DON'T
25 BELIEVE THE BOARD CAN BE THE SAME DRIVER THAT THE C.E.O. HAS



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1 BEEN IN THIS PROCESS. THE BOARD HAS THE FINAL SAY IN
2 INTEGRATION OF SERVICES AND MAJOR POLICY DECISIONS, AND I
3 RECOGNIZE THAT FACT. AND IT IS CLEAR THAT THERE DOES NEED TO
4 BE SOME IMPROVEMENT TO INTEGRATION OF SERVICES AND MAYBE EVEN
5 TO THE INFORMATION THAT THE SUPERVISORS GET ABOUT WHAT IS
6 GOING ON IN OUR DEPARTMENT. BUT IN TERMS OF OVERSEEING THE
7 DEPARTMENT ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS, THE C.E.O. OFFICE HAS BEEN
8 DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB AT MAKING SOME VERY IMPORTANT CHANGES.
9 AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH EVERY
10 PARTNER IN THE PROCESS AND WE VIEW A STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH
11 THE BOARD AS KEY TO THAT. BUT THE CHILDREN THAT WE SERVE ARE
12 BENEFITING FROM THE C.E.O. HAVING A STRONG ROLE IN D.C.F.S.
13 AND WE NEED TO KEEP WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE C.E.O. AND THE
14 DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SURE WE CONTINUE THAT PROGRESS.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO ARNOLD SACHS AND
17 PATRICK O'ROURKE. DR. CLAVREUL?

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19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
20 I AM TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF AN ORDINANCE REMOVING SOME OF THE
21 AUTHORITY AND POWER FROM THE C.E.O. FIRST OF ALL, I WAS ALWAYS
22 OPPOSED TO THAT POSITION. I WAS OPPOSED TO THE MILLIONS OF
23 DOLLARS ADDED TO OUR BUDGET TO HAVE THAT OFFICE. PRIOR TO THE
24 ESTABLISHMENT ON MR. FUJIOKA POWER, WE HAD MAYBE ONE OR TWO
25 HELD ITEMS. TODAY WE HAVE 13 HELD ITEMS. SOMEBODY IS NOT DOING



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1 THEIR JOBS. AND I HAVE NEVER SEEN, SINCE 1999, SO MUCH WORK
2 POORLY DONE. I THINK IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN A WARNING WHEN YOU GO
3 AT THE DIRECTORY HERE AND YOU LOOK AT THE SIGN ABOUT THE
4 DIFFERENT SUPERVISORS, FIVE OF YOU, IN AVERAGE-SIZED LETTERS.
5 THEN YOU SEE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, 20 TIMES BIGGER THAN THE
6 NAMES OF THE SUPERVISORS. ANY PSYCHIATRIST WILL TELL YOU
7 THAT'S A POOR SIGN. AND IT WILL SHOW YOU WHAT MR. FUJIOKA IS
8 THINKING ABOUT HIMSELF. I CANNOT BELIEVE YOU ALLOW EVEN THAT
9 TO BE THERE. IT IS APPALLING. IT TELLS YOU WHO IS THE BOSS
10 HERE. I MEAN, IT'S ABSURD. YOU HAVE A NON-ELECTED PERSON WHO
11 THINKS HE'S A KING. WELL WE DID NOT ELECT HIM. I THINK IT'S
12 KIND OF A JOKE THAT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STAFF
13 HAVE ALMOST TO FILE A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ACT TO GET
14 INFORMATION. THAT'S A JOKE. AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, GIVE US OUR
15 MONEY BACK. CUT THAT POSITION OFF. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. O'ROURKE.

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19 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YEAH, MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE. MANY OF
20 YOU KNOW MY PROBLEMS WITH D.C.F.S. I REFER YOU TO THE COUNTY
21 OF ORANGE COUNTY. THE RECENT WHAT DO YOU CALL IT? GRAND JURY
22 INVESTIGATION AND THE FINDINGS THEREOF. THEY ARE CONSISTENT
23 WITH EVERY SINGLE ALLEGATION AND CLARIFY THE ALLEGATIONS THAT
24 HAVE BEEN MADE AGAINST THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
25 SERVICES WITHIN L.A. COUNTY. YET NO GRAND JURY TRIAL FOR L.A.



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1 COUNTY, OR THE MANY CONSTITUENTS FOR THE MANY IMPOVERISHED
2 FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED NEGATIVELY BY DEPARTMENT
3 PRACTICES. UNFORTUNATELY, WHAT I HAVE SEEN, THE C.E.O. HAS NOT
4 IMPLEMENTED ANY SERVICES TO ADDRESS THE MAJOR CONCERNS OF
5 BASICALLY PERVERSE INCENTIVES, RETALIATORY ACTION AND
6 REFERRALS THAT ARE PRINTED ON A PIECE OF PAPER WITHOUT ANY
7 KNOWLEDGE OF THE CLIENT. THEY'RE GIVEN FOUR NUMBERS, FOUR
8 ADDRESSES, FOUR NAMES. AND THEY'RE TOLD TO CONTACT THESE. AND
9 IF THEY DON'T QUALIFY, THEY ARE TOLD TO COME BACK TO
10 CHILDREN'S COURT TO GET ANOTHER COPY. THIS IS ASTOUNDINGLY
11 JUST -- THIS IS NOT EFFICIENT. IN ADDITION, WHEN A CLIENT
12 COMES UP BEFORE FAMILY COURT, THEY ARE NOT GIVEN ANY DUE
13 PROCESS. MANY OF THE RIGHTS THAT ARE GIVEN CRIMINALS AT A
14 CRIMINAL TRIAL ARE NOT ALLOWED. PEOPLE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO
15 ADDRESS THE JUDGE. THEY'RE NOT ALLOWED TO ADDRESS GRIEVANCES
16 WITH THEIR ATTORNEY. AND THEY'RE NOT ALLOWED TO PRODUCE
17 WITNESSES OR TO CROSS-EXAMINE TESTIMONY THAT IS BEING GIVEN BY
18 A SOCIAL WORKER AND NOT A WRITTEN --

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS HAS BEEN CALLED
21 AND HE PASSES. LET ME ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN
22 A REQUEST AND I AGREE THAT -- CAN THIS BE DISCUSSED IN AN
23 EXECUTIVE SESSION BETWEEN THE FIVE SUPERVISORS?

24

25 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I'M SORRY. WHICH ITEM ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS ITEM CAN WE TAKE IT INTO
3 EXECUTIVE SESSION AND DISCUSS IT BEFORE OUR VOTE IN PUBLIC
4 SESSION AND DISCUSSION IN PUBLIC?

5

6 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** NO, IT CANNOT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE REASON WE CAN'T?

9

10 **ANDREA ORDIN:** IT DOESN'T COME WITHIN ONE OF THE EXCEPTIONS TO
11 THE BROWN ACT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EVEN THOUGH YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT
14 DEPARTMENTS AND PERSONNEL IN THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS?

15

16 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THAT'S RIGHT, MAYOR. I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE MOTION WAS TO CONTINUE THE ITEM, I
19 THINK MR. MAYOR. TAKE IT UP AT THE POINT WITH ITEM NO. 82 AND
20 THE BALANCE OF WHAT'S ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA CAN
21 ACCOMMODATE WHAT WE NEED TO DO IN TERMS OF OUR DISCUSSION. I
22 THINK THAT DISCUSSION SHOULD TAKE PLACE WITH THE FIVE MEMBERS
23 OF THE BOARD.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THE ADVICE OF THE COUNSEL HAS BEEN
3 CLEAR.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THAT'S FINE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS ITEM DOES NOT APPROPRIATELY BELONG IN
8 CLOSED SESSION. AND WHATEVER WE DISCUSS IN CLOSED SESSION HAS
9 NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS. THIS ORDINANCE IS ON THE AGENDA, IT'S
10 READY TO BE VOTED ON. I HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO MAKE.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME FINISH.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PARDON ME, SIR, I WASN'T FINISHED. THANK
19 YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE MATTER WAS CONTINUED. THAT'S WHAT I'M
24 SUGGESTING, THANK YOU. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WAS A MOTION TO



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1 CONTINUE THE ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT IS
2 HAPPENING WITH ITEM 82. NOW I AGAIN WOULD SO MOVE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND TO
5 CONTINUE THE ITEM. CALL THE ROLL.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. MOTION TO CONTINUE DEFEATED.

2 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE THE MEMORANDUM THAT THE COUNTY
5 COUNSEL PROVIDED TO US, I GUESS IT WAS YESTERDAY, THE LATEST
6 LAST VERSION, THE MOST UPDATED VERSION FRIDAY OR YESTERDAY,
7 RAISED AN ISSUE WHICH NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. AND I HAVE WORKED
8 WITH THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO HAVE, AND I KNOW THEY
9 ARE PREPARED WITH AN ORDINANCE WHICH INCLUDES THE ADDITION OF
10 THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE. BEFORE I READ THE LANGUAGE, I JUST
11 WANT TO -- APPARENTLY THERE'S AN ISSUE ON INFORMATION SHARING.
12 AND THIS IS INTENDED TO ENSURE THAT THE BOARD HAS THE
13 AUTHORITY TO DELEGATE TO THE C.E.O. ANY INFORMATION SHARING
14 RESPONSIBILITIES AND OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES THAT IT DEEMS
15 NECESSARY. SO THAT IS WHAT'S INCORPORATED IN HERE. IT'S THE
16 ONLY CHANGE IN THE ORDINANCE, AND I WILL READ IT AS THE
17 AMENDMENT TO WHAT'S BEFORE US. IT WOULD BE INSERTED IN THE
18 FIRST PARAGRAPH -- ARE WE CIRCULATING THIS? YEAH, OKAY. SO
19 IT'S TOWARDS THE BOTTOM. THE SECOND LINE FROM THE BOTTOM OF
20 THE FIRST PAGE OF THE ORDINANCE AFTER THE PHRASE "CHIEF
21 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER PERIOD" WE WOULD INSERT THE FOLLOWING:
22 "NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF CHILDREN
23 AND FAMILY SERVICES AND PROBATION, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
24 MAY DELEGATE TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
25 ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF



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1 COORDINATING SPECIFIC DATA SHARING INITIATIVES INVOLVING ONE
2 OR BOTH OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS." THE REST REMAINS THE SAME.
3 THAT'S MY AMENDMENT, MR. MAYOR.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE ATTEMPT TO AMEND THIS ITEM IS
10 PRECISELY WHY I THINK IT'S WORTHY OF CONTINUANCE. LET ME SAY
11 WHY. GIVEN THE WEIGHTINESS OF WHAT'S BEFORE US AND THE EFFORT
12 TO CLARIFY IT AND VET ANY CONSEQUENCES THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE
13 ANTICIPATED AT THIS POINT WARRANTS DELIBERATION OF ALL
14 MEMBERS. I DON'T KNOW THAT I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE AMENDMENT
15 THAT'S BEING PROPOSED AND BEYOND THAT GIVEN THE SIGNIFICANCE
16 OF WHAT IS BEING CONSIDERED, IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME TO
17 UNDERSTAND WHY A CONTINUANCE CONSISTENT WITH ITEM 82 IS NOT
18 REASONABLE. IF THERE ARE THE REQUISITE VOTES TO DISPOSE OF THE
19 MATTER, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THEY OUGHT TO HOLD UNTIL THE
20 TIME THAT ALL ISSUES CAN BE CLARIFIED. THIS IN PART STRIKES ME
21 AS A BIT OF A RUSH TO JUDGMENT. AND I WOULD HASTEN TO ADD,
22 THEN, THAT ANY UNANTICIPATED CONSEQUENCES COULD BE MORE
23 PROBLEMATIC THAN WHAT MAY BE CURRENTLY THOUGHT OF. I WOULD
24 AGAIN SUGGEST THAT A CONTINUANCE FOR THAT PURPOSE IS IN ORDER.
25 IF WE'RE GOING TO AMEND THIS ORDINANCE ON THE FLY, GIVEN THE



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1 FACT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT AT LEAST MY OFFICE HAS BEEN
2 AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE AMENDMENT, IT IS ILL
3 ADVISED. IT IS CONTRARY TO DELIBERATION. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO
4 ME THAT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF WHAT WE ARE DOING DESERVES BETTER
5 REVIEW.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD JUST ADD TO THAT THAT I THINK IT'S
12 APPROPRIATE TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM, PARTICULARLY WHEN YOU GET
13 THIS MOTION. I'M HEARING CONFLICTING INTERPRETATIONS FROM HERE
14 AND FROM STAFF AND FROM OTHERS. OBVIOUSLY I HAVE SERIOUS
15 CONCERNS. I THINK ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS READ SOME OF THE
16 EDITORIALS ON HOW THINGS HAVE BEEN MISCONSTRUED, AND I THINK
17 THIS IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH THAT IT DESERVES CONSIDERATION TO BE
18 CONTINUED. I MEAN WE DO IT ALL THE TIME. AND I TRULY AGREE
19 WITH RIDLEY-THOMAS, THAT THIS IS TRULY A RUSH TO JUDGMENT. AND
20 SO BE TO SLASH IT ON THROUGH IN A 3-2 VOTE, THAT'S YOUR
21 CHOICE.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME JUST SAY IT'S NOT REALLY A RUSH
24 TO JUDGMENT BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING THE ISSUE OF
25 GOVERNANCE, WHICH PREDATES THE INTRODUCTION OF THIS AMENDMENT



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1 AND PREDATES THE INTRODUCTION OF THE MOTION. AND IF YOU GO
2 BACK TO THE TRANSCRIPT WHEN THIS WAS FIRST DISCUSSED, WHICH
3 PREDATES MR. FUJIOKA, IT DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE
4 POSITION. IT HAS TO DO WITH THE CARRYING OUT OF A LEGISLATIVE
5 EXECUTIVE QUASI-JUDICIAL RESPONSIBILITY THAT THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS HAS TRADITIONALLY HAD UNTIL THE NEW GOVERNANCE WAS
7 INTERJECTED AS AN INTERIM, NOT AS A COMPLETE POLICY, BUT AN
8 INTERIM POLICY. AND THERE WAS A QUESTION WHICH COUNTY COUNSEL
9 RAISED THAT REQUIRED A CLARIFICATION AS TO THE
10 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD WITH THE TWO DEPARTMENTS THAT WE
11 ARE ASKING TO HAVE CONTROL OVER. THIS IS THE FIRST -- WOULD BE
12 THE FIRST VOTE. WE WOULD HAVE TO VOTE ON IT AGAIN NEXT WEEK.
13 SO IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER ADDITIONAL CONCERNS, WHATEVER, YOU
14 HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY AT THE SUBSEQUENT MEETING TO ADDRESS
15 THOSE IF THEY'RE NOT ADDRESSED IN TODAY'S DISCUSSION. SO THIS
16 IS ONLY THE FIRST OF TWO VOTES THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR THIS
17 POLICY TO BE IMPLEMENTED.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'D RESTATE THE POINT. AMENDING WITHOUT
20 THE BENEFIT OF THE FULL NOTIFICATION OF ALL MEMBERS ON A
21 MATTER OF THIS CONSEQUENCE STRIKES ME AS BAD FORM. AND IT
22 WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT IT IS CERTAINLY REASONABLE, IF NOT
23 SUBSTANTIVELY, AT LEAST AT A POINT OF AN APPROPRIATE COURTESY,
24 TO ALLOW EVERYBODY TO COME UP TO SPEED. DIFFERENCES ARE WHAT
25 THEY ARE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS NOT A COMPLICATED ISSUE. AND IT'S
5 ALSO -- THEY'VE BEEN KNOWN TO ALL FIVE OFFICES IN A MEMORANDUM
6 THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL DISTRIBUTED LATE LAST WEEK. IT'S NOT
7 COMPLICATED. AND IT'S NOT HARD TO EXPLAIN. IF COUNTY COUNSEL
8 RAISED THE ISSUE BECAUSE OF SUBSEQUENT ORDINANCES THAT WERE
9 APPROVED SUBSEQUENT TO THE ORIGINAL ADOPTION OF THE CURRENT
10 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE, THAT INFORMATION SHARING MIGHT BE MADE
11 DIFFICULT UNLESS THIS AMENDMENT -- INFORMATION SHARING IN
12 WHICH THE C.E.O. WAS IN CHARGE WOULD BE MADE DIFFICULT UNLESS
13 THERE WAS THIS TWEAK TO THE ORDINANCE. AND THE TWEAK IS THAT
14 THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DELEGATE TO THE C.E.O., IT'S
15 CALLED IN THE ORDINANCE, STILL CALLED THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
16 OFFICER, I DON'T KNOW WHY THAT'S THE CASE, BUT IT IS. IT
17 DELEGATES TO HIM, CAN DELEGATE TO HIM, MAY DELEGATE TO HIM THE
18 AUTHORITY TO HIM TO CONDUCT THESE INFORMATION SHARING
19 RESPONSIBILITIES. THAT'S ALL IT DOES. AND THIS IS NOT -- THIS
20 DID NOT GET DROPPED ON ANYBODY'S DESK THIS MORNING. THIS HAS
21 BEEN AROUND FOR --

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE AMENDMENT?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE AMENDMENT IS CONSISTENT WITH ONE OF THE
2 OPTIONS THAT WAS PROPOSED BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL FOR REMEDYING
3 THIS ISSUE IN HER MEMO. SHE I THINK PROPOSED TWO --

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE RE JUST SEEING THE AMENDMENT THOUGH.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME FINISH. IT PROPOSED TWO OPTIONS. I
8 CHOSE TO PROPOSE THIS OPTION. AND I THINK THE CHAIR IS
9 ABSOLUTELY CORRECT. IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD ADEQUATE TIME TO REVIEW
10 IT, WHICH I DON'T DOUBT THAT YOU HAVEN'T, BUT THAT'S THE LONG
11 AND THE SHORT OF IT. IF AFTER THIS WEEK BETWEEN THE FIRST AND
12 SECOND READING YOU FIND SOME HORRIBLE FLAW IN IT, WE'LL
13 RECONSIDER IT. BUT I DON'T THINK YOU'RE GOING TO FIND THAT.
14 THIS HAS BEEN VERY WELL VETTED BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND
15 SEVERAL STAFFS AROUND HERE WHO HAVE BEEN INTERESTED.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT OF
18 MAY 6, WHILE WE WERE IN WASHINGTON?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T KNOW THE DATE. YES. THE ONE THAT I
21 THINK IT WAS THURSDAY OR FRIDAY.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** BEEN AROUND FOR A WHILE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WANT TO ASK COUNTY COUNSEL TO
2 RESPOND?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, MAYBE COUNTY COUNSEL.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** COUNTY COUNSEL WHAT?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ON YOUR RECOMMENDATION FOR THE
9 AMENDMENT.

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11 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THE SUPERVISOR HAS ACCURATELY OUTLINED THAT
12 PORTION OF THE MEMO WHICH ALLOWED THE BOARD TO LOOK AT TWO
13 ALTERNATIVES TO ASSURE THAT IF THE MOTION WERE TO BE VOTED
14 UPON AND PASSED, THAT WE WOULD FEEL MUCH MORE CONFIDENT THAT
15 WE WOULD BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THE INFORMATION SHARING AMONG OUR
16 DEPARTMENTS. AND WE DID HAVE, AS THE SUPERVISOR HAS INDICATED,
17 TWO ALTERNATIVES. ONE WITH THE "MAY" GIVE THIS POWER TO THE
18 C.E.O., AND ONE WHICH WAS STRONGER IN THE SENSE THAT IT WAS
19 MORE OF A BLANKET DELEGATION TO THE C.E.O. FOR THE LIMITED
20 PURPOSE OF INFORMATION SHARING.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD CALL THE QUESTION.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CALL THE ROLL.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIDICULOUS!

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AYE. SO ORDERED. SO THIS WILL BE ON
22 FOR NEXT WEEK. ANY ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS WHATEVER CAN BE
23 VOICED AT THAT TIME.

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WILL BE SECOND READING NEXT WEEK.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OH, SECOND READING. OKAY PUBLIC
3 COMMENT. WE HAVE ERIC BUEGE, WINIFRED MCCRAY, IRENE PANG, GLEN
4 UNDERHILL. DO YOU WANT TO BEGIN, MS. PANG? IF ONLY TWO HAVE
5 SHOWN UP, THEN LET ME ALSO CALL UP JOHN WALSH.

6

7 **IRENE PANG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M IRENE. A POWERFUL COUNTY AND
8 THE DEPARTMENTS HAD THEIR WORK DONE. ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO WORK
9 SO HARD TO PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT'S SAFETY.
10 ALL OF THEM CARE. ALL OF THEM, THEY CARE AND PROTECT OTHERS
11 OTHER NATIONS SAFETY. I BELIEVE MYSELF WHO HAVE BEEN DONE THE
12 BEST FOR ALL IN ALL THE NATIONS. WHAT PERSON, WHO AM I? I ASK
13 MYSELF WHY SOMEONE DAMAGE MY REPUTATION IN LANGUAGE OR ACTION
14 EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE MY RELATION. EVEN THOUGH I WORK HARD FOR
15 ALL AND FOR THE NATION, AND ALSO KEEP MYSELF, KEEP MY DIGNITY
16 EVEN THOUGH IN THE POOR CONDITION. AND I HAD A GOOD FAMILY AND
17 THEY'RE HONEST AND WORKING HARD. MY FRIENDS IN THE GOOD
18 CHARACTERISTIC. IF YOU ARE NOT CLEAR, THE SITUATION, MY
19 RELATION AND BETTER TO FOLLOW THE ILLUSTRATION AND THE LAW OF
20 THE STATE AND NATION. I ASK YOU ALL PAY RESPECT EXPRESSION TO
21 ME. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

24



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1 **ERIC BUEGE:** MR. MAYOR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME'S ERIC
2 BUEGE, I HAVE BEEN A COUNTY FIREFIGHTER-PARAMEDIC WITH THE
3 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SINCE '94, ABOUT THE SAME TIME MR.
4 YAROSLAVSKY CAME ON. I'VE WORKED AND SAVED A FEW, TENS OF
5 THOUSANDS OF CALLS I'VE BEEN ON SINCE COMING TO THE COUNTY.
6 GIVEN 100 PERCENT OF MY LIFE AND HEART TO THE COUNTY WITH ITS
7 CITIZENS MAKING A LOT OF CRITICAL DECISIONS AND SAVING LIVES.
8 I'M A WHISTLE BLOWER. RACISM, VERY RAMPANT IN THE FIRE
9 DEPARTMENT. IN BEING A FATHER OF LATINO CHILDREN, I BROUGHT IT
10 FORWARD. AND GUESS WHAT HAPPENED TO ME? THREATS, RETALIATION
11 BY YOUR OWN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CAME TO MY HOUSE IN SAN
12 BERNARDINO COUNTY AND THREATENED MY FAMILY. AND STILL TODAY,
13 SINCE FEBRUARY, THERE'S NOT BEEN ONE ACTION DONE. MS. MOLINA
14 SENT AN EMAIL TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, TO THE PUBLIC
15 INTEGRITY UNIT, AND STILL TODAY, TWO WEEKS LATER, NOTHING. AND
16 I HEAR YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT STEPPING UP. AND I STEPPED UP.
17 AND I HAD THE BALL. I DID NOT CHOOSE TO BE THE POINT PERSON IN
18 THIS. BUT I WAS THRUST INTO THIS. AND EVEN SITTING IN THIS OWN
19 GALLERY HERE IS A PERSON WHO I'M ON I.O.D. RIGHT NOW. AND I
20 WAS BANNED -- BANNED -- FROM CALLING ANY ADMINISTRATIVE SITE
21 FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT OR SHOWING UP. FOR NO REASON. JUST BY
22 FLYING BY THE SEAT OF THEIR PANTS. WELL, CHIEF OSBY WAS OUT OF
23 TOWN FOR A FAMILY FUNERAL, WHO WAS MY CHIEF BEFORE, WHO KNOWS
24 ME. YEP, BY THE SEAT OF THEIR PANTS. AND YOU KNOW, EARLIER, AT
25 THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, WE HAD SEVEN PEOPLE UP HERE, AND



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1 OUT OF THREE OF THE SEVEN WERE ALL DIRTY. AND I DISCOVERED
2 OVER \$200,000 MISSING, MISSING, WHICH \$10,000 A MONTH IS BEING
3 SKIMMED. AND I'M STILL SITTING HERE. I GOT ALL THE
4 INFORMATION. YOU GUYS KNOW THE WEBSITE. I KNOW YOU GUYS KNOW
5 THE WEBSITE. IT'S JUST AMAZING THE CORRUPTION THAT IS RUNNING
6 RAMPANT. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY YOU GOT IT RIGHT WITH CHIEF
7 OSBY, YOU GUYS GOT IT RIGHT. GOOD JOB. THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO
10 CALL UP RUTH CRAFT AND WINNIE TIN. YES, MA'AM.

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12 **WINIFRED MCCRAY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. I HAVE A PACKET FOR
13 YOU THAT THE DEPUTY IS HANDING OUT. MY NAME IS WINIFRED
14 MCCRAY. I'M HERE REGARDING A PARDON REQUEST. AND I JUST WANT
15 TO READ A LITTLE BIT OF MY REQUEST. I'LL JUST READ THE FIRST
16 PAGE AND SEE HOW FAR I'LL GET. AND YOU CAN LOOK AT THE
17 ATTACHMENTS IN YOUR OWN TIME. 21 YEARS AGO AN INCIDENT
18 OCCURRED THAT HAS CHANGED MY LIFE AND THE LIFE OF MY FIVE
19 CHILDREN UNTO THIS DAY. I AM A SINGLE MOM. I HAVE COME HERE
20 BECAUSE IT'S HEAVILY UPON MY MIND THAT I SHOULD BE GOING TO
21 WORK EVERY DAY TO SUPPORT MY FAMILY WITHOUT BEING HINDERED BY
22 A CONSPIRACY. SINCE BEING WITHOUT WORK, I HAVE STRUGGLED TO
23 SURVIVE DAY BY DAY. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS MAKING ENDS MEET
24 BECAUSE THE TECHNICALITIES OF MY PREVIOUS SUPERVISORS, WHICH
25 WERE MENTIONED BY THE COMMISSIONER WHO ORDERED ME TO BE



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1 RESTORED AND PAID HAVE GONE UNANSWERED. I DO NOT ENJOY
2 BORROWING FROM OTHERS, BUT IT HELPS TO REDUCE MY DISTRESSED
3 SITUATION. I WAS YOUNG, NEWLY MARRIED, WITH MARITAL TROUBLES
4 ALREADY IN PROGRESS. AND BACK THEN I WAS PREGNANT MORE THAN
5 ONCE AND HAD NO IDEA THAT IT WOULD LEAD TO THIS. THERE WERE NO
6 MATERNITY LAWS IN PLACE FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES AT THAT TIME.
7 EVEN THOUGH I WAS PREGNANT, MY SUPERVISORS HAD NO RESPECT FOR
8 ME AND HARASSED ME EMOTIONALLY AND PHYSICALLY REPEATEDLY.
9 THERE WAS MUCH JEALOUSY AND OFFICE POLITICS USED AGAINST ME
10 BECAUSE OF MY HIGH PROFILE JOB, WHICH WAS PRAISED BY THOSE I
11 SERVED, THE JURORS' PAY AND THE JUDGES' STATIONERY NEEDS. BUT
12 EVERYONE WANTED MY JOB. I WAS UNDER TREMENDOUS STRESS AT WORK
13 AND AT HOME. YEARS LATER, I WENT TO SEE THE WOMAN WHO HAD
14 HIRED ME WHEN I TRANSFERRED OVER FROM THE CORONER'S OFFICE
15 WHERE I WAS WELL-RESPECTED, MRS. SHIRLEY FLOWERS, A HOLLYWOOD
16 AND INGLEWOOD COURT MANAGER. I ASKED HER WHY --

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WRAP IT UP. MA'AM, DO YOU WANT TO
19 CLOSE?

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21 **WINIFRED MCCRAY:** PARDON ME?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP?

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1 **WINIFRED MCCRAY:** YES, I WILL WRAP IT UP. I'LL GO TO THE VERY
2 LAST PAGE. I HAVE COME BEFORE YOU TO REQUEST A PARDON AND MY
3 CREDIBILITY WHICH HAS BEEN TARNISHED BY THOSE FALSE
4 ALLEGATIONS TO BE RESTORED. THEY HAVE HAUNTED ME FOR MANY
5 YEARS. I DID NOTHING WRONG TO WARRANT A LIFE SENTENCE OF
6 DEVASTATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS MATTER.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. WALSH?

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10 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG, H-
11 I-G-H-L-A-N-D-S. I KNOW IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT BARACK
12 OBAMA'S DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAS THREATENED TO SUE MY WEBSITE
13 UNLESS I TAKE IT DOWN BY MAY 15. IF YOU GO TO OUR WEBSITE
14 RIGHT NOW, YOU'LL SEE THE LETTER FROM THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY,
15 THE HIGH-POWERED LAW FIRM WHO WAS PAID \$25,000. THAT'S HOW
16 MUCH MR. YAROSLAVSKY WANTS TO GET RID OF ME. BUT THEY WON'T.
17 WE LOATHE L.A. THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR IS DESTROYING
18 THE CITY. WE LOATHE L.A. THIS IS AN L.A. NEWSPAPER. TOURISM IS
19 DOWN. WHAT HAPPENED AT DODGER STADIUM? DODGER STADIUM IS AN
20 18TH STREET GANG TERRITORY. THAT'S WHY YOU SEE VERY FEW YOUNG
21 BLACKS THERE. THEY'RE AFRAID TO GO THERE. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
22 DOESN'T -- HE DOESN'T LIVE IN THIS REAL WORLD. OKAY. NOW LET
23 ME TELL YOU WHEN THIS -- WHEN BRIAN STOW WAS STOMPED NEARLY TO
24 DEATH, HE WAS SENT TO A COUNTY HOSPITAL. HIS BILLS ARE NOW IN
25 THE MILLIONS. WHO'S GOING TO PAY HIS BILLS? THE CITY OF LOS



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1 ANGELES? NO. THE DODGERS? NO. WE'RE GOING PAY IT OVER HERE.
2 WE'RE GOING PAY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. AND YOU DAMN WELL KNOW
3 WE'RE GOING TO PAY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. NOW THE OTHER THING IS
4 THE C.R.A. WE ALL AGREE THAT THE C.R.A. MUST GO. WE HAVE EVERY
5 SINGLE DEMOCRATIC VOTE IN THE ASSEMBLY TO ABOLISH THE C.R.A.
6 WE HAVE ONE REPUBLICAN VOTE. ONE. CHRIS NORBY. CHRIS NORBY,
7 AND I HAVE SPOKEN TO HIM. WE CAN GET THE EXTRA VOTE WE NEED TO
8 TAKE THE ASSEMBLY TO TAKE THE ASSEMBLY. AND THAT IS ALLAN
9 MANSOOR. YOU KNOW ALLAN MANSOOR, HE'S AN ASSEMBLYMAN FROM
10 ORANGE COUNTY, SOUTHERN ORANGE COUNTY. WE ARE ASKING YOU NOW,
11 GO TO HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. FIND HIS ADDRESS AND PHONE
12 NUMBER. CALL HIM. HUNDREDS OF CALLS. WE ARE GOING TO WIN. WE
13 ARE GOING TO ABOLISH THE C.R.A. SO THAT MONEY THAT IS GOING TO
14 L.A. DEVELOPMENT GOES DOWN HERE. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
18 PARADISE LEE. AND RICHARD ROBINSON. YES, MA'AM.

19

20 **WINNIE TIN:** SUPERVISORS, REMEMBER THE LAST TIME I WAS APPEARED
21 IN THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING DEPUTY -- ON THE
22 COURTHOUSE ALSO APPEARED IN THIS MEETING AS WELL. AND LATER ON
23 HE MADE A STATEMENT TO THE COURT THAT HE FOLLOWED ME FROM THE
24 COURTHOUSE TO THIS BUILDING. AND THE COURT HAD MY PUBLIC
25 DEFENDER -- THAT THE CHANNEL WAS LOCKED. SO THERE'S NO WAY FOR



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1 DEPUTY -- TO FOLLOW ME FROM COURT COURT BUILDING TO THIS
2 BUILDING. SO MY COMPLAINT WAS DISMISSED. BUT HOWEVER, WHO'S
3 BEHIND DEPUTY -- REFERRAL TO MAKE A FALSE ALLEGATION AGAINST
4 ME? IN ADDITION, THE PAST THREE WEEKS, JUDGE IHUSI IS STILL
5 WIRE TAPPING MY PHONE, APPROACHED MY CUSTOMERS THREATENING ME.
6 I WENT TO ARCADIA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE A POLICE REPORT.
7 THEY REFUSE TO TAKE THE POLICE REPORT, WHICH I WOULD LIKE
8 ARCADIA POLICE BOB ANDERSON AND POLICE OFFICER NAKAMURA SPOKE
9 TO ME IN FRONT OF OTHER PUBLIC THAT THEY REFUSE TO TAKE MY
10 REPORT. I ASKED THEM WHY YOU DON'T TAKE A POLICE REPORT?
11 BECAUSE IF JUDGE IHUSI ILLEGALLY WIRE TAPPING MY PHONE. AND I
12 HAVE BEEN ADDRESSING THIS UP INTO THREE COURT AND NO JUDGE, NO
13 LAWYER, NO POLICE HELP ME. SO WHERE'S THE JUSTICE? I WENT TO
14 F.B.I. IN THE PAST REPORT THAT THE D.C.F.S. PROBLEMS, WIRE
15 TAPPING PROBLEMS, MY OTHER ISSUES, AND THEY REFUSE TO LET ME
16 WALK INTO THE BUILDING. SO SUPERVISORS, PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF
17 I CAN BE FREELY LIVING IN L.A. COUNTY OR I HAVE TO BE HARASSED
18 EVERY DAY AND IF JUDGE IHUSI WILL APPROACH MY PASTORS ASKING
19 ME TO LEAVE L.A.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE WELCOME TO STAY IN LOS ANGELES.

22

23 **WINNIE TIN:** OKAY. BUT CAN WE STOP THE WIRE TAPPING?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE NO CONTROL OVER THAT.



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2 **WINNIE TIN:** THEN WHY THE JUDGE IS INVOLVED WITH OTHER PEOPLE
3 THAT CAN USE THEIR AUTHORITY TO HARASS ME?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAS HAS THE TELEPHONE COMPANY VERIFIED
6 THAT YOUR TELEPHONE IS BEING TAPPED?

7

8 **WINNIE TIN:** I DON'T HAVE A HOME PHONE ANYMORE.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THEN YOUR PHONE IS NOT BEING TAPPED?

11

12 **WINNIE TIN:** NO. MY PHONE IS TAPPED. THE CUSTOMER ADMITTED TO
13 ME MY PHONES ARE TAPPED. JUDGE IHUSI APPROACHED HIM. THREE
14 PASTORS APPROACHED ADMITTED TO ME THAT JUDGE IHUSI APPROACHED
15 HIM.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF YOU FEEL THE LOCAL POLICE IS NOT
18 RESPONDING, THEN YOUR NEXT IS WOULD YOU LET THE ATTORNEY
19 GENERAL -- MAKE A COMPLAINT TO MS. HARRIS, ATTORNEY GENERAL
20 FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

21

22 **WINNIE TIN:** I DID THAT, TOO. NOBODY RESPONDS TO ME.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WOULD MAKE ANOTHER. I WOULD
25 READDRESS THE COMPLAINT AGAIN TO HER.



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2 **WINNIE TIN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. HERE'S THE INFORMATION.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **BRISIA HILDALGO:** (SPANISH)

7

8 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BRISIA HILDALGO. I'M
9 THE MOTHER OF A JUVENILE IN THE COURT OF SYLMAR JUVENILE. HE
10 WAS FOUND GUILTY ON A JUDGMENT OF -- THIS IS THE SECOND TIME
11 HE IS FOUND GUILTY. THE CHARGES DID NOT CORRESPOND TO WHAT HE
12 DID. MY SON IS SICK. MARCH 13 HE WAS ATTACKED BY AN OFFICIAL
13 BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT FOLLOW THE ORDERS. MY SON HAS A PROBLEM,
14 MENTAL PROBLEM. IN THE MIDDLE LOBE OF THE BRAIN. WHERE HE
15 CANNOT UNDERSTAND ANYTHING CORRECTLY. AND FOR THAT REASON HE
16 WAS ATTACKED AND THEY SENT REPORTS TO THE JUDGE. AND EVERYBODY
17 HAS AGREED, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE POLICE, TO LEAVE HIM
18 WITH THE CHARGES, OF CRIMINAL CHARGES OF ASSAULT WITH A GUN.
19 EVEN THOUGH ALL THE WITNESSES DECLARE CONTRARY TO THAT. MY SON
20 IS VERY DEPRESSED. I AM WORRIED THAT HE WILL NOT FOLLOW
21 INSTRUCTIONS AND THEY WILL ATTACK HIM AGAIN. PREVIOUSLY IN
22 YEAR 2008 HE WAS ATTACKED AGAIN, WHEN HE WAS NEAR THE HEARING
23 THAT WAS ORDERED. BUT WE WERE NOT ALLOWED TO OPEN OUR MOUTHS
24 OR DECLARE ANYTHING. I'M LOOKING FOR JUSTICE AND HELP. I



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1 REPRESENT A GROUP OF MOTHERS THAT THEIR SONS ARE ALSO ACCUSED
2 FOR THINGS THAT THEY DIDN'T DO.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD YOU TRY TO WRAP IT UP?

5

6 **BRISIA HIDALGO:** (SPANISH)

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8 **INTERPRETER:** WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO PROVE ANYTHING. AND
9 THAT'S WHY I CAME HERE. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IS BRISIA
12 HIDALGO? OKAY, THANK YOU. AND RICHARD ROBINSON I HAD CALLED
13 AND ALSO PATRICK O'ROURKE? YES, MA'AM.

14

15 **RUTH CRAFT:** I'M RUTH CRAFT. ARE YOU AHEAD OF ME? OKAY. IS IT
16 ALL RIGHT IF I GO HEAD?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, YES PLEASE.

19

20 **RUTH CRAFT:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND THE
21 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TODAY FOR THE CAUSE OF MY
22 FRIEND AND MOTHER LIKE MYSELF. HER SON IS GENESIS RIVERA. I AM
23 ONE OF THE RADICALS THAT STAND IN FRONT OF THE COURTHOUSE AT
24 111 NORTH HILL STREET VOICING MANY OF THE PROBLEMS THAT FACE
25 CHILDREN AND MOTHERS AND POOR PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY WHO DON'T



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1 HAVE A VOICE. IT'S NOT THAT I'M A BETTER SPEAKER. IT'S NOT
2 THAT I HAVE APPOINTED MYSELF. IT'S OUT OF NECESSITY. BECAUSE
3 IN THIS COUNTRY, WHICH IS ALLEGEDLY A DEMOCRACY, I'M SAD TO
4 SAY THAT DEMOCRACY IS NOT AT WORK, NEITHER IS OUR CIVIL
5 RIGHTS. I'M HERE TO TRY TO DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN. I
6 WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN PLACE AMONG THE CHILDREN'S CIVIL RIGHTS
7 COMMISSION SOME ACTIVISM THAT WOULD HELP MOTHERS LIKE MYSELF
8 AND MS. HIDALGO, SHE'S A VERY SWEET AND DEAR PERSON. SHE
9 REMINDS ME OF MYSELF. I USED TO CRY EVERY SINGLE DAY WHEN MY
10 KIDS WERE TAKEN AWAY FROM ME FOR FIVE YEARS. AND FOR ONE YEAR
11 THE ONLY WAY I WAS ALLOWED TO SEE MY CHILDREN WAS THROUGH A
12 CHAIN LINK FENCE. I TODAY AM HERE TO BEG OF YOU TO PUT IN
13 PLACE SOME LAW, SOME ADVOCACY ON THE RIGHTS OF POOR CHILDREN
14 IN THIS HUGE COUNTY. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. PARADISE?

17

18 **LEE PARADISE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AS I HAVE INDICATED TO YOU
19 BEFORE, I HAVE COME BEFORE YOU MANY TIMES. AND I HAVEN'T
20 SOUGHT A RESPONSE FROM YOU. BUT I'LL BE SEEKING A RESPONSE
21 FROM YOU THE NEXT TIME YOU SEE ME. SUSAN STEINHAUSER, THE
22 PRESIDENT, PREVIOUS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
23 LOS ANGELES LAW LIBRARY AND BOARD MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY WHO
24 WHO WAS APPOINTED BY YOUR BOARD, ONE OF THE ONLY AUTHORITIES
25 OVER THAT BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WHO WAS APPOINTED BY YOUR BOARD



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1 HAS REAPPOINTED HERSELF AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
2 FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LAW LIBRARY. AND SHE HAS ALSO
3 CONTINUED HER TENURE FOR ANOTHER TWO YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THAT
4 BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THE ONLY PROBLEM IS YOU DIDN'T APPOINT HER.
5 AGAIN, I'LL REPEAT THAT, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, MR. ANTONOVICH, MR.
6 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, MR. KNABE, AND GLORIA MOLINA. YOU DID NOT
7 APPOINT HER. SHE BYPASSED THE SYSTEM. SHE'S GONE, SHE'S
8 BYPASSED THE SYSTEM TO BE A CONTINUING MEMBER OF THAT BOARD.
9 SHE HAS NOW APPOINTED HERSELF FOR ANOTHER TWO YEARS. HER TERM
10 WILL EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2012. WHO ALLOWED HER TO DO THAT?
11 NOT YOU. AND THE ONLY WAY SHE COULD BE REAPPOINTED, SHE COULD
12 ACT AS AN INTERIM BOARD MEMBER AND PRESIDENT, BUT NOT A
13 PERMANENT MEMBER. SHE HAS APPOINTED HERSELF. AND THE REASON
14 WHY I HAVE NOT COME TO YOU AND ASKED YOU TO RESPOND TO MY
15 APPEARANCES HERE, BECAUSE LIKE I SAID, THE PUBLIC HAS TO
16 PEACEFULLY TAKE OVER WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE SO WE CAN GET
17 THAT ORGANIZATION UNDER CONTROL. AGAIN, MS. SUSAN STEINHAUSER
18 HAS DISQUALIFIED HERSELF TO BE A MEMBER OF THAT BOARD OF
19 TRUSTEES BY HER OWN ILLEGAL ACTIONS. SO I WANT YOU TO PLEASE
20 TAKE NOTE OF THAT. THIS TIME I'LL BE CALLING FOR A RESPONSE
21 AND FOR THIS TO COME UP AS AN AGENDA ITEM. MS. SUSAN
22 STEINHAUSER HAS DISQUALIFIED HERSELF AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY LIBRARY.

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1 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON.
2 GALILEO WAS ARRESTED FOR SAYING THAT THE EARTH ORBITS THE SUN.
3 SIR, I RUN THE RISK HERE NOW OF ALIENATING A LOT OF PEOPLE,
4 BEING HURT, QUITE FRANKLY, CHARLES BLAKE, ONE DAY, THE
5 HONORABLE REVEREND CHARLES BLAKE. I BELONG TO THE CHRISTIAN
6 ORGANIZATION. I SEE MYSELF AS BELONGING, REALLY, TO GOD. BUT I
7 SEE MYSELF AS A JUNIOR, A SMALL CHILD IN REVEREND BLAKE'S
8 PRESENCE. REVEREND BLAKE ONE DAY TOLD ME OVER AT CITY HALL, HE
9 SAID, "RICHARD, SHUT UP. THEY'RE AFRAID OF YOU." E.B. HILL WAS
10 SITTING NEXT TO US IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS. BUT I THINK IT'S
11 ABOUT TIME THAT I SAY THIS. THE CURSE OF HAM WAS UTILIZED,
12 QUOTE/UNQUOTE, THE CURSE OF ABRAHAM, WAS UTILIZED AS A METHOD
13 OF KEEPING BLACK FOLKS IN SLAVERY FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS, ONE
14 OF THE METHODS. ABRAHAM HAS FOUR SONS. KUSH, PHUT, MISRAM, AND
15 CANAAN. NOW THE CURSE DOES NOT APPLY TO ABRAHAM. IT APPLIES,
16 ACCORDING TO GENESIS 1:12, TO WHOM? A SON OF ABRAHAM. CAANAN,
17 WHO REPRESENTS THE WHITE RACE. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP EDDIE JONES,
20 ARNOLD SACHS, AND ANTONIA RAMIREZ. MR. O'ROURKE.

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22 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** AGAIN, MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE. I'VE
23 GIVEN MY INFORMATION EARLIER. AND I'D LIKE TO GIVE MY EMAIL
24 ADDRESS, TOO. PATRICKTHERED@LOVEAVLE.COM. I'M CURRENTLY USING
25 THAT BECAUSE MY OTHER EMAIL ADDRESS IS COMPLETELY FULL WITH



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1 RESPONSES AND COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN DIFFERENT AGENCIES AND
2 GROUPS ADVOCATING FOR CHILD SERVICES, AMONG OTHER THINGS. NOW,
3 WITH THAT SAID, ONE OF THE EGREGIOUS OVERSIGHTS OF THIS BOARD
4 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS THAT IT HAS FAILED TO INCLUDE
5 IN THE CHILD SERVICE DISCUSSIONS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
6 HAVE BEEN OFFENDED, WHO BEEN EGREGIOUSLY WRONGED, WHOSE CIVIL
7 RIGHTS HAVE BEEN SO VIOLATED THAT THEY HAVE FILED COMPLAINT
8 UPON COMPLAINT WITH NO RESOLUTION. BY ONLY ASKING COUNTY
9 EMPLOYEES, WHOSE JOB IT IS TO KEEP THE STATUS QUO, WHO MAY BE
10 RECEIVING PERVERSE INCENTIVES TO HAVE CHILDREN ADOPTED, TO
11 HAVE CHILDREN INTERESTED IN PROGRAMS THAT THEY EITHER HEAD OR
12 RECEIVE MONEY FROM AND HAVING A VESTED INTEREST. THIS IS
13 WRONG. UNTIL THE COUNTY ADDRESSES THESE ISSUES AND THE MEMBERS
14 OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND ITS
15 EMPLOYEES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
16 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, WE WILL NOT HAVE AN END
17 TO THE LAWSUITS. YOU REALIZE THAT THE CHILDREN THAT ARE
18 ADOPTED OUT HAVE A RIGHT TO A LAWSUIT WHEN THEY ARE TAKEN AWAY
19 FROM THEIR FAMILIES, ADOPTED OUT DUE TO FALSE AND UNPROVABLE
20 ALLEGATIONS. CRIMINAL CHARGES THAT NEVER HAPPENED.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. O'ROURKE. THANK YOU.

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24 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** I ASK THAT YOU ADDRESS THIS, PLEASE.



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1 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS A MATTER OF
2 PRINCIPLE. I AM NOT A BUTT KISSER. AND I HAVE ARDUOUSLY FOUGHT
3 FOR MY FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS. CAN YOU SAY THE SAME, MARK
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND GLORIA MOLINA? FURTHERMORE, PUBLIC SAFETY IS
5 PARAMOUNT FOR ME, THUS I TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN DOING YOUR JOBS.
6 AND I DON'T MAKE A PENNY. BUT IN THE END, THE MILITARY
7 VETERANS AND MYSELF WILL WIN. HAVING SAID THAT, I WILL PROVIDE
8 A CHECKLIST OF CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS AND GANG BANGERS WHO
9 ARE CRIMINALLY ASSAULTING AND ENDANGERING THE INNOCENT LIVES
10 OF MILITARY VETERANS, PILOTS, -- AND ALL LEGAL LAW-ABIDING
11 CITIZENS, PREDOMINANTLY IN THE EAST L.A. AREA ON A DAILY
12 BASIS. THEY, TOO, HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO THE SHERIFF'S
13 DEPARTMENT AD NAUSEAM. HERE'S A PARTIAL LIST OF THE CRIMINAL
14 DEVIANTS. 3721, 3738, 3739, 3744, 3748, 3749 AND 3750 AND 3759
15 EAST 55TH STREET, MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, 90270. AND 3738 AND
16 3746 EAST 54TH STREET IN MAYWOOD. 3747 EAST 55TH STREET IN
17 MAYWOOD. AND I KNOW 270 FOR LUIS AND LUZ. AND 3804 AND 3805
18 EAST 55TH STREET IN MAYWOOD. 90270. ALL THE AFOREMENTIONED
19 ADDRESSES IN THE CITY OF MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, ARE HARBORING
20 CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS AND GANG BANGERS AND THEY HAVE
21 SYSTEMATICALLY ENGAGED IN CRIMINAL VIOLENCE AND DESTRUCTION OF
22 PROPERTY. SADLY, TOO, THE THREE CRIMINAL GANG BANGERS, OPHELIA
23 RODRIGUEZ, LUIS GARCIA AND FELIPE RODRIGUEZ ARE IN VIOLATION
24 OF PAROLE BECAUSE THEY ARE AGGRESSIVELY RECRUITING YOUNGSTERS



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1 FROM LOMA VISTA ELEMENTARY AND NIMITZ JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL.

2 EXCUSE ME HERE. AND PUSHING THE SALES OF DRUGS AND WEAPONS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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6 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** AM I DONE?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU DID IT, THANK YOU. MR. JONES?

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10 **EDDIE JONES:** FOR THE RECORD, MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES, E-D-D-I-E

11 J-O-N-E-S, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL RIGHTS

12 ASSOCIATION. AGAIN GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, AND TO THE COUNTY

13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I HAVE A VERY BIG CONCERN ABOUT WHAT'S

14 GOING ON INSIDE THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. THERE IS A GANG THAT'S

15 BEEN ON THE NEWS AND ON THE INTERNET, ON TWITTER AND FACEBOOK

16 CALLED THE 3,000 GANG. THEY ARE ALL SHERIFFS THAT WORK FOR THE

17 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. ON THE 3,000 ENROLLED IN THAT JAIL,

18 YOUNG MEN HAVE BEEN BEAT UP, ASSAULTED, INTIMIDATED AND

19 MISTREATED INSIDE THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. I WOULD LIKE FOR THE

20 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CAREFULLY ANALYZE AND EVALUATE

21 AND INVESTIGATE THIS PROBLEM THAT'S AN ONGOING PROBLEM. IT'S

22 BEEN ON THE NEWS. IT'S BEEN IN THE NEWSPAPER. IT'S BEEN ON THE

23 RADIO. EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT THERE IS A GANG INSIDE THE

24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THAT IS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE. I KNOW

25 THERE'S GANGS ON THE STREETS. BUT GANGS FROM OFFICERS WHO ARE



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1 SWORN PEACE OFFICERS WHO CARRY WEAPONS WHO A YOUNG MAN IS NOW
2 IN THE HOSPITAL IN CRITICAL CONDITION WHO WAS BEAT UP BY THE
3 3,000 GANG. THAT IS VERY, VERY TRUE, REAL AND NEEDS TO BE
4 TAKEN CARE OF. AND I MEAN SWIFTLY. BECAUSE WHEN YOU GET A GANG
5 INSIDE THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL BEATING UP INMATES, YOU HAVE A
6 PROBLEM IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND YOU HAVE A PROBLEM
7 WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. I RESPECT LAW ENFORCEMENT. I RESPECT THE
8 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND I RESPECT IT WHEN PEOPLE DO
9 WRONG, THEY HAVE TO GO TO JAIL. BUT INMATES HAVE RIGHTS NOT TO
10 BE BEAT TO DEATH OR TO BE BEAT UNTO ONE BREATH OF THEIR LIFE
11 AND TOLD THAT IF THEY TELL THEN THEY'LL DEAL WITH IT IN
12 ANOTHER WAY. PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THE 3,000 GANG AND PUT THIS
13 TO REST FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONSTITUENTS,
14 STAKEHOLDERS AND TAXPAYERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I'D LIKE
15 TO LEAVE MY BUSINESS CARD FOR THE MAYOR, PLEASE, IF I MAY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. ON MAY
20 5, RIGHT HERE IN THE TOWN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, THERE WAS AN
21 EXPO BOARD MEETING. IT CONSISTED OF 10 ITEMS. 2 OF THE ITEMS,
22 WELL ACTUALLY THREE OF THE ITEMS. ITEM 5 WAS A CONSENT
23 CALENDAR/A MONTHLY CONTRACT ACTIONS. ITEM 6 HAD TWO SUBITEMS
24 TO IT, ITEMS A AND B, CONTRACT PACKAGE AND A BALFOUR BEATTY
25 INFRASTRUCTURE. AND ITEM 7 ALSO HAD TWO SUBSECTIONS TO IT. A



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1 WAS A PROJECT STATUS UPDATE AND B WAS THE EXPO PHASE, ONE
2 SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM. THE REASON I BRING THAT UP IS
3 BECAUSE A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, I RECEIVED A LETTER. AND THIS
4 DETAILS IN THE LETTER BASICALLY THE MODIFICATION OR THE
5 EXPLANATION OF HOW THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION
6 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY D.B.A. OCCURRED. AND IT'S ON THE
7 AGENDA, ACCORDING TO THIS LETTER, THE LOS ANGELES TO PASADENA
8 METRO BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. ITEM 5C. SO I WAS JUST
9 WONDERING, AND IT OCCURRED, THIS MEETING WAS APRIL 28, 2004. I
10 WAS WONDERING WHAT WAS ITEM 5-A AND 5-B ABOUT? WHAT WAS ITEMS
11 1 THROUGH 4 ABOUT? BECAUSE I ALSO HAVE AN ITEM HERE, MOTION BY
12 DIRECTORS MOLINA, FASANA, ANTONOVICH AND LOWENTHAL, AS AMENDED
13 BY DIRECTOR VILLARAIGOSA, FROM AUGUST 2005. WHEREAS EXISTING
14 LAW ESTABLISHES THE LOS ANGELES TO PASADENA METRO BLUE LINE
15 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. NO, IT DIDN'T. BECAUSE I HAVE HERE,
16 AGAIN, AS I STATED, A CORPORATE LAND GRANT -- A CORPORATE
17 GRANT DEED. IT STATES THAT THE LOS ANGELES TO PASADENA METRO
18 BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THANK YOU ARNOLD. THANK YOU. WE
21 HAVE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. WE KNOW WE'LL SEE YOU AT
22 THE M.T.A. MEETING.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
25 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL



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1 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-4, DEPARTMENT
2 HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
3 AGENDA. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE
4 HOLDING ITS PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2011-2012 RECOMMENDED BUDGET
5 ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011 AT 9:30 A.M. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MAY 10, 2011**

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5 In open session, item CS-1 was continued three weeks to May
6 31, 2011.

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8 In open session, item CS-2 was continued two weeks to May 24,
9 2011.

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11 At the request of County Counsel, item CS-3 was referred back
12 to County Counsel.

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14 No reportable action was taken on item CS-4.

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13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

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16 16th day of May 2011, for the County records to be used only
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